

Cardinal Rampolla's Will Missing

THE HOSPITAL SITE MAY BE PURCHASED

At Tomorrow's Meeting of Council—Public Hearing Slated—The Park Loan to be Considered

The meeting of the municipal council, scheduled for tomorrow forenoon at 11 o'clock promises to be a very busy and very interesting one. The council will give hearings on the proposition for a contagious disease hospital on the Dr. Pillsbury estate and other matters slated for consideration include the \$35,000 loan order for the purchase of land from the Locks and Canals company for playground purposes in West Centralville.

Another hearing will have to do with the relocation of a pole in Edison street. Persons in that street object to the present location of a certain pole and James F. Owens will appear for them. The council will have a big list of petitions to consider. Most of them will have to do with poles and wire attachments and the business of the meeting will also include the drawing of jurors, one grand juror and eight traverse jurors to serve in the superior court in Cambridge.

INVITED TO BALTIMORE

Mayor O'Donnell today received an invitation from James H. Preston, mayor of Baltimore, to attend the national centenary of the writing of the Star Spangled Banner to be held in that city in September, 1914, and to appoint five representative citizens who would be interested in the event.

BOY KILLED BY AUTO

Sad Accident in Which Merrill Woodward Lost His Life—Was Struck by Nashua Auto

A fatal accident occurred in North Chelmsford yesterday afternoon, when a nine-year-old boy, Merrill Woodward, son of Otis Woodward of the same village, was accidentally killed by an automobile, owned and operated by George J. Erb, of Nashua, N. H. The driver of the auto was later taken to the local police station, where he was booked for manslaughter.

The accident occurred on the road that runs from North Chelmsford to Tyngsboro, and those who witnessed it say it was unavoidable on the part of the chauffeur. The boy, it is said, was playing in the road with companions when in order to get out of the way of an oncoming automobile he ran into the path of the other. The chauffeur applied the emergency brakes, but the distance was too short and the boy was struck and thrown to the ground. He was picked up in an unconscious condition and removed to the residence of Dr. Varney, and Dr. James Hoban was called, but the boy died despite all that the physician could do, death being due to internal injuries and a fracture of the skull.

OTHER "TRUSTS" TO DISSOLVE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson let it be known today that some other corporations besides the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. had shown a disposition to take the initiative in reorganizations to conform with the Sherman anti-trust law.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

Nashua Chauffeur in Court This Morning—Man Fined \$50 for Carrying Revolver

The case of George L. Erb, charged with manslaughter, the driver of the machine which ran over and killed Merrill Woodward in North Chelmsford yesterday afternoon, was continued until two weeks from today. Bail was fixed at \$1000. The defendant is a resident of Nashua, N. H.

Charles Zelo was charged with the carrying of a \$10 from Mary Topor and pleaded not guilty in a loud voice. The defendant announced that he was prepared for trial today, but his lawyer asked for a "continuance" until next Wednesday, which was granted.

Carried Revolver

A 38 calibre blue metal revolver thrust under his shirt beneath the prisoner's left armpit was all that Alton Freeman found when he searched Manuel Gonzales upon his arrest for drunkenness.

The defendant admitted without argument that he was carrying a revolver but claimed that he bought the weapon for a friend in the old country to whom he was going to send it. The question as to why he should carry a friend's revolver in the bosom of his shirt rather than his pocket, however, Judge Enright imposed a fine of \$50 upon Gonzales.

Wanted Jail Sentence

Alfred W. Douglas, a young man who

HAS DISAPPEARED FROM VATICAN

ROME, Italy, Dec. 22.—A rumor is current in Vatican circles that a box supposed to contain the will and other important papers of the late Cardinal Rampolla has disappeared.

VERDICT AGAINST CITY IN HOUSE 22 YRS

Jury Reports Verdict of \$500 in Case of Chadwick vs. the City of Lowell

In the case of Sarah Chadwick, who brought suit against the city of Lowell in the sum of \$1000 for personal injuries the jury this morning returned a verdict of \$500 for the plaintiff, which is in reality almost a verdict for the defendant. The plaintiff claimed that she fell into a hole in inland street. The street department was employed in inland street at the time and the plaintiff claimed that the hole, made in the street by the street department, was left unguarded and she fell in, sustaining serious injuries.

The twelve jurors were then dismissed and Judge Chase heard motions for new trials on the following cases: Scullane vs. Boston and Maine, verdict of \$3500 for plaintiff; Ellis vs. Horne, \$37.50 for plaintiff; Goddard vs. Horne, \$47.50 for plaintiff; Stout vs. Morse, \$231 for plaintiff; Sousa vs. Margossian, verdict for defendant; Dawes vs. Bay State Street Railway, \$30 for plaintiff; Boddy vs. Harland, \$25 for plaintiff; Town of Peppercell vs. Town of Boxboro, verdict for defendant.

MOUSTACHES ARE CONDEMNED

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Moustaches from an economic point of view were discussed by the boss barbers of Lincoln at a meeting last night. The fad of raising the upper lip adornments was condemned and the recent royal comment of the kaiser that Germans must not shave off their moustaches and thereby become effeminate was blamed for the waste of four minutes, the extra time required, it was said, to shave around the edges of a moustache.

ABOLISH DRINKING AT PRINCETON

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 22.—The latest development in the movement fathered by the senior class to rule out beer from the class dinner. Fresh impetus has now been given to the movement by Dean McClenahan, who announces that the university authorities would hold to strict account the proprietor of any drinking place in Princeton who sold liquor to minors.

NEW BUILDINGS THAW INQUIRY

Number This Year is Not as Great as That of Last Year

The number of building permits issued this year will not come up to the number issued last year and the amounts represented by the permits this year will fall considerably short of 1912. Up to date there have been 520 permits granted this year as against 561 last year. The total amount represented on permits granted this year is \$924,958 and the total last year for the full year was \$1,291,649.

There were quite a number of large buildings erected last year and very few this year. The big buildings last year included The Spa building, a French orphanage on Pawtucket street, a three-story brick building, five story mill of the Appleton company on Jackson street; the three-story fireproof building for St. Peter's orphanage in Stevens street; the large building on Merrimack street; Dana's brick garage in East Merrimack street; parochial school on Gorham street, belonging to St. Peter's church.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 23.—The commission appointed by Judge Aldrich to consider the condition of Harry K. Thaw has requested William Travers Jerome, special attorney-general representing the state of New York in the light to secure the return of Thaw to that state, to furnish the commission with certified copies of all the hospital records of the Matteawan state hospital for the criminal insane relating to Harry K. Thaw since his original commitment to that institution.

HAVE DYS-PEP-LETS AT XMAS DINNER

The rich Christmas dinner "indigestions" so-called—mince pie, plum pudding, turkey dressing, nuts and raisins—may be eaten without hesitation and heartily, even if your digestion is weak, if you have a box of Dys-pep-lets at hand. These agreeable sugar-coated digestive tablets aid digestion, prevent as well as relieve sour stomach, wind in the stomach, heartburn and nausea.

Rep. Bartholdt of St. Louis to Retire When Present Term Expires

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Rep. Bartholdt of St. Louis, who has represented the tenth Missouri district in the house for 23 years, has issued a statement saying he will not be a candidate for re-election when his term expires in 1915. Only two other members of the house, Representative Payne of New York and Jones of Virginia, have longer service. Mr. Bartholdt expects to work for universal peace.

LETTER CARRIERS MET

ELECTED OFFICERS AT ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING HELD SATURDAY NIGHT

A large number of letter carriers gathered in Odd Fellows building last Saturday night where the regular meeting of Branch 25, National Association of Letter Carriers, was held. A number of important business matters were discussed, among them being the way to handle the Christmas mail which is extra heavy this year.

The Lowell carriers endorsed the Hamilton bill, which is the straight pension for superannuated employees of the government. The following officers were elected: President, George L. Hunt; vice president, David Gilber; recording secretary, Maurice H. Powers; financial secretary, Joseph McKee; treasurer and collector of mutual benefit, John P. Sheehan; collector, Slek Benoit; association, Narcisse Gadois; sergeant-at-arms, John P. Lynch. Arthur Hagshaw was elected a member of the board of trustees for three years.

The installation will take place next month when refreshments will be served and music furnished by the carriers' orchestra.

APPEALS TO AMERICAN EMBASSY

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Hannah Gordon Watson, who says she is the widow of a former American consul at Tien Tsin, China, who died a year ago and was a relative of John W. Foster, former secretary of state, was charged today at the Bow street police court with obtaining by false pretenses credit to the amount of \$40 from a London hotel. The books showed that Mrs. Watson went to the hotel last week with four children and brought with her two valises. When she was asked to pay her current bill she left ostensibly to cash a draft. Later in the day she sent a man for the two valises, saying she wished to have her initials put on them. She was arrested on Saturday and today appeared at the American embassy for assistance.

FUNERAL NOTICES

REINHART.—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Koller will take place tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock from her home, 123 High street. At 2:30 a high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of J. P. O'Donnell & Sons.

WEBSTER.—The funeral of Mrs. Ann Webster will take place Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock from her late home, 151 Coburn street. High mass of requiem at St. Michael's church at 2 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Funeral Director James W. McKenna.

STEAMER ARRIVES

SLACONSETT.—Dec. 22.—Steamer Cleveland, Naples for New York, 224 miles east of Sandy Hook at 8 a. m. Dock 330 a. m. Tuesday.

FIRST EDITION

FOR LATER LOCAL AND TELEGRAPH NEWS AND TODAY'S STOCK MARKET REPORT SEE LATER EDITIONS

CURRENCY BILL MAY BECOME LAW TODAY

Measure in its Final Form Reported to the Both Houses of Congress Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The administration currency bill in its final form was reported today to both houses of congress today to be written into law. The members of the conference committee which labored until dawn this morning thrashing out the differences between the two houses presented a perfected measure which followed closely the lines laid down by President Wilson in his demands for currency reform. A general desire among legislators to get away from Washington for the Christmas holidays resulted in a program calculated by democratic leaders to place the bill before the president for his signature tonight and to cellar the way for an immediate recess. In the house proceedings called for the asking, the conference report might not be forced to lay over for a day to be printed. In the senate the leaders endeavored to smooth away the obstacles, chief of which was an inept proposal by the new federal reserve notes in had been struck out of the bill in conference. The conference agreed on practically all of the fundamentals of the measure as it passed the senate including the provision that not less than eight, nor more than 12, federal banks had been created. The reserve requirements for banks entering the system, which had been slightly let down by the senate, were strengthened in conference, an amendment allowing the use of the present bank notes and the proposed new federal reserve notes in had been created. The reserve requirements for banks entering the system, which had been slightly let down by the senate, were strengthened in conference, an amendment allowing the use of the present bank notes and the proposed new federal reserve notes in had been created.

The conference resulted from the administration's determination that the controller of the currency should be given a place on the federal reserve board, which will control the new system. The senate conferees were evenly divided on this proposition, three senators joining with the house members of the committee in supporting the administration's contention. It was nearly daylight when a single shifting vote brought the conference to a close. The conference accepted the senate amendment increasing the gold reserve behind the new notes to be issued from 33 1-3 per cent, as fixed in the house bill, to 40 per cent, with a graduated tax on depletion arranged in the senate. It was understood that President Wilson and Secretary of the Treasury, McAdoo, let the conferees know that they favored the increase. A compromise plan for retiring the two per cent bonds on which the present currency is based was written into the bill by the conference. Under the plan \$38,000,000 of these bonds will be purchased each year, beginning two years after the system is placed in operation by the new regional banks from the present national banks. On one half of its holdings each regional bank may issue currency. The remainder will be refunded in three per cent 30 year bonds and three per cent one year treasury notes, which the banks must agree to renew each year for 30 years.

WARNING!

In previous years instances have occurred in the nature of reproductions at the Lowell Cemetery at Christmas season. Trees have been cut and stolen presuming for Christmas use. There is a severe and well defined penalty for misdeemeanor of this kind. All persons are warned against commitment of such acts. Be assured all that corporation will protect its property. The line of spruce trees on Lawrence street, opposite the cemetery, are cemetery property and cemetery. Proprietors of the Lowell Cemetery, CHARLES L. KNAPP, Treasurer.

MILLS ARE BUSY

Waterhead Mills and the Bleachery Have Rush of Business

Business is booming at the Waterhead mills in Lawrence street and the plant continues to increase its capacity. New additions are being made to the mill and boiler house and a new pocket is being installed. Only finishing work is done at the Waterhead mills and they are exceptionally busy at the present time.

It was stated today that the Lowell Bleachery, too, is having a very busy season and so great was the rush at Thanksgiving that the full force worked the Saturday afternoon following Thanksgiving day.

FOOT CRUSHED

Employee of Tremont and Suffolk Mill Injured in Elevator

Joseph Jordan, an employe of the Tremont and Suffolk mills, was caught in an elevator this morning shortly before 8 o'clock and had his feet badly crushed before the lift was brought to a stop. The ambulance was summoned and the injured man taken to the Lowell hospital, where his injury was dressed. Jordan resides at 136 South street.

FUNERAL NOTICE CORRECTION

WIGGIN.—Died in this city, Dec. 20th, Edwin L. Wiggin, aged 59 years, 3 months and 3 days, at his home, 3 Wilton avenue. Funeral services will be held at the Edison cemetery chapel Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, instead of at his residence, as erroneously stated. Please omit flowers. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

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Terrible Details of Volcanic Eruptions—The Flames 1000 ft. High
Prominent Brockton Man Killed When Machine Turned Over

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 22.—Incumbent of the recent volcanic eruptions on the island of Ambrym, in the New Hebrides group, in which 500 natives lost their lives. Witnesses of the disturbances describe it as having been so sudden and violent that they expected to see the whole western side of the island disappear.

With a terrific roar, which was followed with a rapid succession of artillery-like detonations, all the craters of the volcano entered into full activity, spouting flames and lava and throwing out huge boulders. Great streams of lava soon were rushing down the slopes, cutting off the villagers from escape. In one instance two torrents of the molten mass joined and made an island of one entire section of a village. Here 50 or 60 persons perished.

The scenes at night were awe-inspiring. Flames shot into the air to a height of 1000 feet, illuminating the whole scene of destruction. The ocean seemed to boil as huge spear-headed streams of lava poured into the bay. Dust from the craters gradually formed a black cloud which blotted out the light of the stars.

The bay after the eruption was filled with dead fish and large numbers of dead turtles. The water in the river was hot.

The British hospital buildings were wiped out of existence, but previous to their destruction the doctors pluckily removed all the patients to a launch and escaped with them.

EX-MAYOR SHOT DEAD
QUINCY, Dec. 22.—William T. Shea, mayor of Quincy from 1908 to 1912, died today after an illness of nearly a year, aged 57 years. He was a well known road-building contractor.

If you want help at home or in your business, try "The Sun" column.

STOUGHTON, Dec. 22.—Planned for an hour beneath his overturned automobile, R. Dale Smith, a prominent Brockton man, died on the road in Washington street early yesterday morning while his companion, Dr. Charles I. Graustein, lay stunned beside him.

Within a hundred yards were several houses, but their occupants were asleep and unconscious of the tragedy. Smith was lying when Dr. Graustein regained consciousness. He could hear the groans of his friend while he struggled to free himself from the overturned car. But by the time he had extricated himself, searched about the teeming car and found Smith had pulse beat stopped. An hour passed between the time of the accident and when the physician felt about in the darkness for his wounded companion.

The two men were bound from Boston to Brockton. They reached Stoughton about a clock in the morning. On Washington street the machine slid and Dr. Graustein says that when the auto began to slide on the roadbed Smith put on more power in an effort to keep the machine on its track. The wheels, however, failed to catch the earth.

The auto described an arc, and then, snapping in the air, fell upside down. Smith was pinned beneath the engine. Dr. Graustein in some manner caught his foot in a forward wheel and was rendered unconscious when the machine fell.

An hour later, according to Dr. Graustein, he repeated his search. His foot was still caught in the wheel and with difficulty and much pain he extricated it.

Dr. Graustein then went to the nearest house, that of John Webb, who woke up several of the neighbors and notified the police of both Stoughton and Brockton.

The party went immediately back to the place where the automobile was overturned. It lay up and found Smith dead beneath it.

Red Blood

Is good blood—blood that nourishes the whole body, and enables every organ to perform its functions naturally. Many people owe it to HOOD'S SARSAPARILLA, which relieves scrofula, eczema, psoriasis, and all blood humors.

THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL

COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF CONSTRUCTION OF \$2,000,000 MONUMENT MET TODAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Lincoln memorial committee, charged by congress with responsibility for the construction of a \$2,000,000 memorial here to the martyred president met today in an effort to start the machinery in motion for erecting the memorial. Former President Taft, chairman of the committee, arrived early today to attend the meeting. Some time ago the committee recommended the use of Colorado marble for the monument. Protest against this material then went to Secretary Garrison of the war department, who, under an act of congress, authorizing the memorial, has the authority to let the contract. The protestants favored the use of southern marble. Pending the letting of the contract by Secretary Garrison, it is stated, little progress can be made by the commission toward the erection of the memorial.

TRIAL OF A. A. McLEAN

TREASURER OF N. Y. DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE WILL BE ARRAIGNED IN JANUARY

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The trial of Arthur A. McLean, treasurer of the democratic state committee for 1912, will be held in January, according to announcement by District Attorney Whitman today. McLean is indicted on two counts charging the acceptance of campaign contributions from corporations, a violation of the corporation laws and punishable by imprisonment of one year and a fine of \$1000.

CONGRESS DISSOLVED

GENERALS AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS APPROVED ORDER OF THIS. YUAN SHI KAI

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Just a ratification of the dramatic measures already taken is the interpretation which members of the official circle here place upon the action of Yuan Shi Kai's generals and provincial governors in approving their president's order dissolving congress. It was explained that President Yuan realized that the legislators had assembled in a dual capacity and for that reason he ordered them to disband. Until order has been restored and the country's finances put on a sound footing, the parliamentary branch of the government will be suspended, it was said.

TEDDY GOT 'EM GOING

FORMER PRESIDENT IN HOT ARGUMENT WITH CHILIAN OVER THE MONROE DOCTRINE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Members of the diplomatic corps, especially representatives from the South American countries, were greatly interested in a report reaching Washington yesterday that former President Roosevelt and Dr. Marchal Martinez, an Argentine minister to the United States, had clashed in Santiago de Chile on account of divergent views on the Monroe doctrine. The Chilean is reported to have strongly dissented from the Roosevelt view that the much discussed doctrine is still a vital issue.

FUNERAL NOTICES

KNOX—Died in North Chelmsford, Dec. 21 at his home on Wright street, David M. Knox, aged 31 years, 10 months, 17 days. Strictly private funeral services will be held from his late home, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Please omit flowers. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers Young and Blake.

SUTCLIFFE—Died in North Billerica, Dec. 20, at his home, 35 Elm street, John T. Sutcliffe, aged 65 years. Funeral services will be held from 37 Elm street, North Billerica, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends invited. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers Young and Blake.

JORDAN—Died, Dec. 20, in this city, Mrs. Sarah B. Jordan, aged 77 years, at her home, 290 East Merrimack street. She is survived by her husband, Joseph W. Jordan, two children, Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford and Joseph W. Jordan. Funeral services will be held at 290 East Merrimack street, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

KELLEY—The funeral of John J. Kelley will take place Tuesday morning from the home of his son, Michael J. Kelley, 560 Broadway, at 11 o'clock. High mass of requiem at St. Patrick's church at 1 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker James H. McDermott in charge.

MARTIN—The funeral of the late John P. Martin will take place Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Stephen Laughton, 74 Chapel street. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at St. Patrick's church at 1 o'clock. The interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker James H. McDermott in charge.

KELLY—The funeral of Elizabeth Egan will take place from the home of her sister, Mrs. John McCabe, 70 North street, Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock. High mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 1 o'clock. Burial will be in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker John J. McKenna in charge.

DEATHS

SHARP—Catherine Sharp died Saturday at the Chelmsford Street hospital, aged 56 years. She is survived by her husband, William. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertaker Peter H. Savage.

KNOX—David M. Knox died yesterday morning at his home in North Chelmsford, aged 31 years. He leaves, besides his mother, two sisters, Misses Jennie and Flora, and three brothers, Robert, George and John.

SUTCLIFFE—John T. Sutcliffe died Saturday at his home, 35 Elm street, North Billerica, aged 65 years. He leaves, besides his wife Sarah A., one son, Everett of Waverley and a daughter, May Sutcliffe of Billerica.

SHARP—Mrs. Catherine Sharp, aged 56 years, died Saturday at the Chelmsford Street hospital. She is survived by her husband, William. The body was removed to the funeral parlors of Undertaker Peter H. Savage.

KELLEY—Mrs. Ellen Kelley, wife of Patrick Kelley, died Saturday at her home, 143 High street, aged 45 years. Besides her husband, she leaves two brothers, John Hunt of Lowell and Patrick Hunt of New York, and one sister in Ireland.

OBER—Mrs. Jane A. Ober died Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Ann Ober, at Billerica Centre, aged 83 years. Her husband, John, died in 1908. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Mary A. Fordham and Mrs. Jessie Barber of Wilkesbarre, N. Y., and eight grandchildren.

JORDAN—Mrs. Sarah B. Jordan died Saturday at her home, 290 East Merrimack street, aged 77 years, 6 months and 9 days. Besides her husband, she leaves two children, Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford and Joseph W. Jordan, and one grandson, Joseph W. Jordan.

McKENZIE—Mrs. Rebecca McKenzie, widow of the late Robert McKenzie of Bridge street, died Saturday at 951 Bridge street, aged 81 years. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Arthur R. Babour, one son, Walter E. Babour, and one grandson, Walter Babour of Boston.

WEBSTER—Mrs. Ann Webster, a well known and devout attendant of St. Michael's church, died last evening at her home, 131 Coburn street, after a long illness, aged 53 years. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. James Proctor, one brother, John Mullarkey, and two sisters, Mrs. Ralph Holt and Mrs. Thomas E. Sherry.

RICO—Winslow A. Rico died Saturday in Lawrence, aged 35 years. He was a native of the Philippine Islands, but has made Lowell his home for several years. He was a noted athlete, and was prominent in the local Y. M. C. A. He is survived by his wife, the Philippine. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertakers Young & Blake.

MARTIN—John P. Martin, a well known and popular young man of this city, died Saturday afternoon at the Lowell hospital, aged 18 years. He leaves three sisters, Mrs. Mary Brown of Natick, and Misses Annie T. and Katherine Martin of this city, and one brother, Hugh Martin of Lowell. The body was removed to the home of his aunt, Mrs. Stephen Laughton, 74 Chapel street.

SULLIVAN—The many friends of John J. Sullivan, popular young resident of Pawtucket, will be grieved to learn of his death which occurred last night at his home, 74 White street, aged 20 years, 6 months. Deceased was a young man of many noble traits and for whom the future held forth a promising career. Deceased was born in this city, the son of Michael M. and Ellen Flannery Sullivan. Besides his parents he leaves one brother, Robert, and eight sisters, the Misses Sarah, Helen, Margaret, Mary, Grace, Irene, Ethel and Mildred Sullivan. He was a devoted member of St. Columba's church, and of the Holy Name sodality connected with the church.

FUNERALS

OBER—The funeral services of Mrs. Jane Ober took place at the home of

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her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Fordham, in Billerica Centre, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Harold Dale, pastor of the Congregational church, Billerica Centre, assisted by Rev. J. P. Frye. The body was forwarded to Wilkesbarre, N. Y., where burial took place. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

RICO—The funeral services of Winslow A. Rico took place at the rooms of Young and Blake, 33 Prescott street, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock and were largely attended. The services were conducted by Rev. Raymond G. Clapp, pastor of the First Methodist church. The bearers were J. Black, L. Brown, A. J. Wicks and A. Lamson. There was a delegation present from the Lowell and Lawrence Y. M. C. A. The flowers were many and beautiful. Burial was in the Westlawn cemetery.

HEALEY—The funeral of Mrs. Sophia Healey, wife of Frederick Healey, was held Saturday afternoon from the rooms of Undertaker John A. Webb, 14 Market street. Rev. W. W. Matthews, pastor of the Primitive Methodist church, officiated. The bearers were William Pangburn, William Chadwick, James Pangburn and Harry Siddall. Burial was in the Westlawn cemetery, where the committal services were read by Mr. Matthews.

BARBERIA—The funeral of Frank Barberia took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home of his brother, Manuel, 28 Marshall street, and was largely attended. Services were held at St. Anthony's church at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. Manuel R. Rodriguez, officiating. Among the flowers were crosses inscribed "Frank" from the fam-

ily, and a pillow inscribed "P. E. B. S. from the Portuguese Benefit society." The bearers were Francisco L. Coria, Antonio J. d'Avilla, Jose G. Rocha, G. Phibels, Joao Largentines and Manuel C. Pires. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

SOMERS—The funeral services of Martin T. Somers took place Saturday afternoon from his home in Orleans street and was largely attended by relatives and friends. The services were conducted by Rev. Raymond G. Clapp and a delegation from Post 120, consisting of Messrs. J. Denio, C. H. Stuckney, C. H. Flanders and A. W. Stockwell. Burial was in the family lot in the Edison cemetery, where the committal service was read by the Rev. Mr. Clapp. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young and Blake.

PROVOST—The funeral of Nelson T. Provost, whose sudden death as a result of an accident caused much sorrow to his wide circle of friends a few days ago, took place from his home in Graniteville at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The body was taken to St. Catherine's church, where the committal services were held and were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Edmund

Schofield. The church was filled with sorrowing relatives and friends who came to pay their last tribute of love and respect to one whom they loved so dearly. People from all stations and walks in life were present on this sad occasion, a great number being present from out of town. Those who attended the services in the church also marched in a body to the grave, and there was deep sorrow on every side. It was one of the largest funerals held in this village for a long time, for it seemed that everybody knew Nelson Provost and was pleased to call him friend. The floral tributes were unusually beautiful and testified in a marked degree to the high esteem in which he was held in the community. The bearers were Henry J. Healy, James O'Brien, P. Henry Harrington, A. B. Wall, William H. Healy, Lester McLennan. Burial was in St. Catherine's cemetery, Graniteville. Undertaker J. A. Healy had charge of the arrangements.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

At this time last year the board of health was up against a scarlet fever epidemic. It was on the eighth day of this month that the board held a special meeting for the purpose of formulating plans to fight the disease. There are but 15 cases of scarlet fever in the city at the present time, and a recent issue of the board of health shows that Lowell's physical condition is all to the good. Besides the 15 cases of scarlet fever there are 10 cases of measles and 8 cases of diphtheria in the city.

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 - Interwoven Lisle Hose..... 25c Pair
 - Cashmere Hose..... 25c, 50c, 60c Pair
 - Lisle Hose with Silk Four-in-Hand, in many colors..... 50c
 - Silk Hose with Silk Four-in-Hand..... \$1.00
 - Silk Hose with Silk Handkerchief and Four-in-Hand..... \$1.00, \$1.50
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REVIEW OF COTTON CROP

What a Southern Textile Authority Has to Say of This Very Important Matter

After having sold at 14 cents for the second time this season, the market declined again to the 13 cent level. The decline was brought about by the issuance of several private crop estimates for a yield of 15,000,000 bales or more.

As a matter of fact the large crop estimates have been taken more seriously by the trade than the smaller estimates, and as a crop of 15,000,000

would provide all the cotton needed this season, there was general liquidation of long contracts and of spot cotton, which resulted in the decline established.

However, the size of this year's crop remains an unknown quantity still, as one day an estimate of 15,000,000 bales will be issued, only to be followed by a prediction for a yield of about 14,000,000 bales. There is nothing of an official nature on which one can look forward to for a yield of 15,000,000 bales.

On the contrary, all the data available still points to a yield of less than 15,000,000 bales, perhaps not more than last year's 14,167,000 bales.

To November 14th of this year the quantity of cotton ginned was 10,434,000 bales compared with 10,300,000 to the corresponding date last year, an increase of only 134,000 bales over one year ago. In view of the high prices prevailing, it is probable that as large, if not a larger percentage of the crop was ginned to Nov. 14th this year than was ginned to the corresponding date one year ago. Under the circumstances there does not seem to be any warrant for crop estimates of over 14,000,000 bales.

In the meanwhile the trade will await the issuance of the annual crop estimate of the government, due December 12th, which will report on the probable size of the actual growth, exclusive of linters, etc. Last year the government made a good estimate, placing the growth at 13,520,000 bales. On the same date the census will report on quantity ginned to Dec. 1st.

Thus far this year there has been marketed of the crop 7,319,000 bales compared with 7,157,000 bales to the corresponding date of one year ago, and although the movement to market shows an excess of 162,000 bales over last year's arrivals, the world's visible supply of American cotton is 592,000 bales less than it was at this time one year ago—4,770,000 vs. 4,868,000.

It is claimed that the trade demand is not good this season, still we find that the spinners of the world have taken to date of American cotton 457,000 bales more than to even date last year—4,295,000 bales vs. 3,841,000 bales. The export movement continues large, since September 1st 3,868,000 against 3,536,000 one year ago, and we have reason to believe that shipments to foreign shores will continue heavy in the near future, as the stock on shipboard at all U. S. ports is very heavy, larger than at this time last season—342,000 vs. 329,000.

Private cables from Liverpool are to the effect that there is to be no short time in England this season, as spinners of Lancashire report good business for forward delivery. Liverpool's stock and float of all kinds is only 1,199,000 bales, last year 1,532,000, or 333,000 smaller than one year ago.

According to our deductions the United States will require more cotton than last season, Japan and Continental Europe about the same as one year ago, while England, owing to some falling off in the demand from India, will probably use a little less of American cotton this season. On the whole, however, it looks as if the world will need about 15,000,000 bales of American cotton this season, as last year's consumption by the world of American cotton was 14,903,000 bales. Since the consumptive demand promises to be about 15,000,000 bales the size of the crop becomes the all important factor. If this crop should be less than 15,000,000 bales, as it promises to be, the market is apt to advance again to the previous high levels of the season.

EMMONS LURED BACK

TO MASSACHUSETTS FROM SALEM, NEW HAMPSHIRE SO THAT HE COULD BE ARRESTED

The details in the arrest of Herbert Emons, the man whose case went on trial before Judge Enright in police court Saturday morning, have just leaked out and are of an amusing nature in some respects.

Emons is charged with having gotten \$500 from C. I. Dodge of this city under false pretenses. Mr. Dodge went to Supt. Welch about the matter when he decided to answer out a warrant for Emons' arrest and told the head of the local police department that Emons was in Salem, N. H., and wanted to know just how it would be possible to encompass the arrest of the man he claims took him in to the tune of \$500. Dodge realized that the Lowell police could not make an arrest in New Hampshire.

It seems that previously Emons had asked Mr. Dodge to try and dig up some purchasers of stock in a corporation in Salem. All of this was made known to Chief Welch and after a few minutes' thought that worthy sent for Inspector Walsh.

When the inspector put in an appearance the chief informed him that he was to go to Salem with Mr. Dodge in the latter's machine. Whether or not any further instructions were forthcoming at the time is not known, but the sleuth promptly got into his warriest clothing and departed with Mr. Dodge armed with a warrant for the arrest of Emons.

The machine was driven to the mill in Salem, at which the complainant felt certain Emons would be found and Mr. Dodge entered the building leaving the officer bundled up to the ears in the tonneau of the car.

Without stopping to take a look at the officer who calmly puffed a cigar in the rear seat of the machine, Emons clambered aboard and the car was soon whizzing on its way into Massachusetts and into the jurisdiction of the local police.

Not a step was made until Lawrence was reached and then Inspector Walsh jumped into the limelight. Placing his hand upon the sleeve of the badly fooled Emons he informed him of the fact that he was wanted on a charge of larceny in Lowell and that he would have to go to the Lawrence police station.

As soon as he reached Emons telephoned for Lawyer J. P. S. Mahoney and the growls started as soon as the attorney arrived on the scene. The lawyer asserted at first that his client had been kidnapped from New Hampshire and protested against his arrest. Nevertheless, Emons was later taken to the Lowell police station.

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REP. SULLIVAN DEAD

LEGISLATOR HAD LEB PROTEST AGAINST EAST BOSTON TUNNEL TOLLS

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Representative Benjamin F. Sullivan of East Boston died at the City hospital yesterday from the effects of an operation performed about a week ago. He was taken ill at that time with an intestinal trouble. In the last election he was a candidate for governor's council and was defeated by Alexander McGreggor.

Overwork in connection with his campaign is given as the reason of his breakdown.

Representative Sullivan had always taken a great interest in East Boston affairs. He was one of those who favored the East Boston tunnel and at the time of his death was greatly interested in doing away with the extra toll of one cent which is charged each person using it. His death occurred one year from the day he was arrested while making a test case as to the legality of the extra toll. The matter is still pending, and the question will be on the ballot at the next city election.

He was born in East Boston, in 1875, and was a half brother to the late Senator Edward J. Mahoney and a brother to Representative Lewis R. Sullivan. He was in the real estate business, having for a partner former Councilman Frank A. Goodwin. He is survived by a wife and four children.

BILLERICA

The Protestant churches of Billerica, following the long established custom, celebrated the Christmas festival yesterday with special musical services, both morning and evening. Most of the churches were appropriately decorated and the children look part in either the morning or evening service.

Rev. David Murphy officiated at both masses of St. Andrew's church yesterday. The Christmas services will be held on Christmas morning at 8 o'clock.

The Billerica public schools closed early for the Christmas recess and will reopen next Monday. The students of Mitchell's Military school were also given their annual Christmas vacation and nearly all of the boys left Saturday for their homes.

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The Red Cross Stamps are for sale at all the leading drug stores, Pollard's, Prince's, Judd's, Kirtledge's, Bon Marche, Nelson's, Conway Transfer Co., and other places. The Red Cross Stamps thus sold are to benefit the movement against tuberculosis.

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A Wisconsin tuberculosis enthusiast suggests a new fraternity, to be called the Order of the Double Cross, with the motto: "Give the double cross, the red cross, to tuberculosis." Membership dues should consist of a dollar's worth of Red Cross Stamps.

A number of Milwaukee men have pledged themselves as members.

George F. Lee Chosen

Parole Officer at the Middlesex County Training School—To Assume Duties on New Year's Day

In compliance with a vote taken last summer by the county commissioners, Supt. Rufus E. Corlen of the Middlesex County Training School at North Chelmsford, recently appointed George F. Lee parole officer for the institution. Mr. Lee is at present clerk in the office of the superintendent and will assume his new duties Jan. 1. The new parole officer will have as a

part of his duty to know where each boy goes when he leaves the school, what sort of a home he goes to, or what sort of employment he secures, and what sort of conditions surround him, as well as looking after the welfare of the child.

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THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Was Made Manifest in Churches Yesterday—Children Had Large Part in the Special Exercises

Elaborate musical programs, inspiring sermons, large congregations and beautiful decorations were the order of the day in Protestant churches throughout the city yesterday. There was full measure of Christmas sentiment and the spirit of the glad season was everywhere. The children had a great deal to do with the special exercises and in many instances children's festivals were substituted for the usual evening service.

Pawtucket Church
The choir at the Pawtucket church gave a fine musical program. The church had been attractively decorated by the campus girls. In the evening the church was filled for the Sunday

school concert under the direction of Sept. George B. Tanner and his assistants. The various exercises were unusually well done and the singing by the children was excellent. The Epiphany class of young men also gave a hymn with a fine volume of tones.

Elliot Congregational
The Sunday school concert at the Elliot church yesterday was well attended. The exercises consisted of Christmas hymns by the school; a solo by Miss Joanne Hume; recitations by Alfred Bedell and Edward E. Holden; exercises by the classes of Miss Fletcher, Mrs. Hardy and Miss Frisbie; and songs and recitations by members of the primary department, in charge of Miss Bertha Marrow. Merlon Flemin-

ings read the Scripture lesson, and the pastor, Rev. H. A. Barker, closed the service with a Christmas story.

Central M. E. Church
As a special Christmas feature in connection with the evening service at the Central M. E. church yesterday, the beautiful cantata, "The Universal King," was given by the church choir, the reader being Miss Lydia Birchall.

High Street Church
The musical part of the service at High Street church was made up entirely of selections from the compositions of Edward E. Adams, the choir director. The pastor, Rev. Allan Conant Ferrin, preached on "The Christmas Sentiment."

First Unitarian
At the First Unitarian church, the quartet sang the following Christmas music: Anthems, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," Warren; and "White Shepherds Watched," Bartlett; and the Christmas carol, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Berwald. Rev. Charles T. Billings preached on "Our Debt to Jesus of Nazareth."

After the morning service the children of the Sunday school marched in procession to the vestry, where a special service was held for them, with

Christmas songs and an address by the pastor.

First Universalist
Large congregations attended the Christmas services at the First Universalist church yesterday. In the morning, the church quartet comprising Mrs. Winifred Symonds, Mrs. Nettie Roberts, Mr. Fred Booth and Mr. Harry Needham sang appropriate music, and in the evening the quartet was again heard, with Mrs. Roberts as the soloist. The church was prettily decorated with holly, mistletoe and evergreen.

First Baptist Church
At the Sunday morning service at the First Baptist church, the pastor, Rev. Raymond G. Clapp, preached on "Christmas Joy and How It Came to Be." The children's choir assisted in the music singing special Christmas anthems, and the beginners and primary department joined in a song with recitations. A special feature of the service was the dedication of Doris Elizabeth Ferguson to Christian training. The platform and choir loft were decorated with Christmas wreaths.

First Baptist Church
There were large congregations at the First Baptist church, and the fine musical program arranged by Thomas Wardell was perfectly carried out by the quartet and the choir of 50 voices. The Christmas cantata, "The Manger Throne," was given in the evening. A feature of the morning service was the singing of the aria, "Rejoice, O Daughter of Zion," by Mrs. W. H. Pepin, who sang without music and who gave the difficult runs with perfect expression. Miss Vivian Cowan and H. G. Hardy sustained well the contralto and baritone parts. The difficult work of the organist was well performed by Wilfred Kershaw, who also



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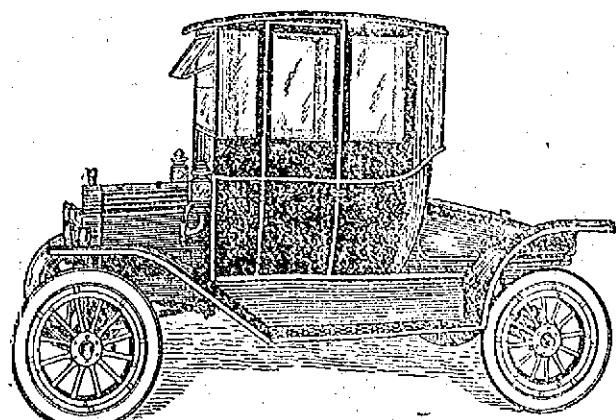
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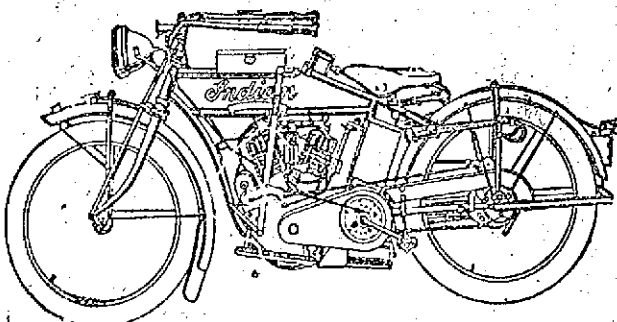
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Kirk Street Church

Large congregations attended both services at the Kirk Street church yesterday. There were elaborate decorations of evergreen on the gallery, pulpit and platform.

The choir, Mrs. W. L. Spence, Mrs. Arthur C. Spalding, Harry A. Hopkins and Charles H. Howard gave an unusually fine program of Christmas music, two very delightful songs being Newell's "Sing, O Sing This Blessed Morn," and a carol, "When Christ Was Born," by Margaret Lang.

At noon the Sunday school met in general assembly, and carried out its custom of recent years. Groceries, fruit, toys, clothing and a large sum of money were contributed by the different classes, incidental to the Christmas exercises, and these were later in the day distributed to the families of worthy poor and to charitable institutions in the city. Four automobiles filled with members of the junior department of the school also left the church during the afternoon to sing carols at the Old Ladies Home and at the Lowell General Hospital.

In the evening a Christmas cantata, "The Story of Bethlehem," by Spence, was sung with great success, the regular quartet being assisted by Miss Etta Thompson, Miss Ma Woodies, Mr. Arthur Woodies and George S. Drew.

Palme Street Baptist

The morning service at the Palme Street Baptist church was replete with Christmas music and a sermon delivered by the pastor, Rev. B. R. Harris. In the evening a Christmas concert was given by the members of the Sunday school. The regular choir was augmented by a young people's chorus, and they sang very well Schaeffer's Christmas cantata, "The Hope of the World." Besides this, a program of songs and recitations was given by the members of the Sunday school. The concert was given under the direction of Mrs. Georgia Libby Dutton. Messrs. Walter Chase and Leon Brown had charge of the decorations.

First Presbyterian

"In Quest of the King," a sacred cantata, sung at the First Presbyterian church, last evening, by the chorus choir of the church, under the direction of John M. Brown. The chorus numbered 40 persons.

Mabel J. Roseman supplied the text and the music was by Meredith and Pence. Mrs. Charles Lovoy was the organist. She supplied the text of the cantata. The soloists were: Mrs. William Dooley, soprano; Miss Isabel MacAdams, mezzo-soprano; Miss Isabel Mohr, contralto; Robert Huston, baritone, and John M. Brown, tenor. The organist was Miss Minnie Tucker.

French Baptist Church

Appropriate Christmas exercises were held yesterday at the French Baptist church, in West Centralville.

At the morning service at 10:30 o'clock, Rev. E. C. Konette, pastor of the church, delivered a sermon, "Message of Noel." A collection was taken up among the parishioners for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. fund. The program of special singing at this service consisted of a Christmas selection, "Bethlehem," by Mrs. Wilfrid Maynard; a violin selection by Miss Marguerite Ramette; and a solo number by Mrs. Wilfrid Maynard, Miss Minnie Ramette and Edouard Desferres.

Grace Universalist

At the Grace church a large congregation in the morning listened to a program of Christmas anthems. The organ was supplemented by the Germania orchestra, and the quartet, under the direction of George Burns, furnished an admirable musical setting for the sermon by Rev. C. R. Skinner on "The Christmas Transformation." The decorations about the pulpit were in excellent taste.

At 4:30 in the afternoon the vestry of the church was filled to listen to a concert program given by the children.

Highland Methodist

At both morning and evening services yesterday, music appropriate to Christmas was sung at the Highland M. E. church, with large congregations attending. The church was decorated with evergreen and holly, emphasizing the spirit of the occasion.

The children of the Sunday school

heard at G. H. Wood's

Friday a couple of ladies came into Wood's jewelry store, and one of them had just selected a number of umbrellas, and just as she was about to pay for them a friend of hers said that she had just returned from a shopping trip in Boston, and was almost dead from being pushed and jostled through the crowds, and had to carry her own parcels, and she turned to her friend and said, "What would you have paid for two umbrellas, the Lowell purchaser having saved 75c each on 100 he had bought in Boston." She vowed that it was the last time she would ever attempt to save money by trading out of town. Mr. Wood has been in business in Central street since 1872, and should not that be a good guarantee for honest dealing. He has the biggest and best jewelry house in the city, wholesaler and retailer, and can supply you with anything in the jewelry line from a stick pin to a sparkling diamond ring or pin, or anything in gold or silver watches, also a line in an almost endless variety of articles. Start today and select what you want from this mammoth stock. Do not be an easy mark and go out to town and get stung the same as the lady above mentioned. It pays to trade at home, where you know who you are doing business with.

Joseph Wilmet and N. W. Matthews, Jr. The usual Christmas hymns were heartily sung by the choir and congregation.

Worthington Street Baptist

At the Worthington Street Baptist church last evening, the annual Christmas exercises by the members of the Sunday school attracted a large congregation. The several numbers were well received, especially those by the junior members of the school. The decorations about the platform and pulpit were in keeping with the Christmas season. The pastor's topic for the evening was "The Spirit of Christmas."

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UNNECESSARY NOISES

Like a page out of an ideal set of community laws framed in some Arcadia, read the municipal regulations preventing unnecessary noises in German cities. To those of us who have lived long enough within the atmosphere of our multitudinous bells, whistles, gongs and myriad other noises, it seems impossible that the regulations of a city like Berlin can be lived up to with anything like the enjoyment of personal liberty. Anyone who causes a disturbance of public order in Germany is punishable by a fine or imprisonment and there are so many noises defined as being against the peace of the community that even a scolding wife must be often limited in her enjoyment of a right which every American suffragette will defend with her last breath. The owner of a barking dog or a crowing rooster is responsible in Germany before the law, and though there are a few indignant citizens who would gladly aid in putting such a regulation on the statute books, one can imagine what a burst of public laughter would greet an attempt to enforce the Berlin ordinances here.

In Berlin the law prohibits the playing of music, crying of wares by hawksters or newspaper vendors. In the streets, unless permission is given by the police, articles such as chains or other metal commodities must not be carried through the public thoroughfares unless they are so packed as to make no noise while in transport. Still more rigorous laws are coming to prohibit the playing of music in houses if it could be heard outside, the prevention of public carpet beating, and loud whistling or singing in the streets, and many other restrictions which seem exaggerated to us of Lowell who hear the electric cars go through Merrimack square with blood-curdling shrieks and to whom the putting in of a ton of coal is like a prelude to the day of judgment.

While it is vain to hope that for a century or so our people will go as far as Germany in the prohibiting of useless noises, there are many things that could be done without the necessity for any municipal regulations. There is little excuse for the playing of the anvil chorus by the milkman on the back step at 3 p. m. or the creaking of the cars mentioned before. One of our fire bells is almost directly in front of one of the largest hospitals in the city and the alarms rung there for years have caused suffering to those who may need sleep in order to live or others whose nerves are keenly alive to every rude shock. Probably in a time fire bells will be done away with entirely and we may even see the uselessness of the shrieking whistles and brazen bells that now beat out the hours of labor. They have taken quite a little romance out of life in Berlin but somehow the reputation of the city for progressiveness and prosperity has not suffered in the least. In time the health and happiness of the people may be considered important enough here to warrant restrictions along the same lines. Let us hope so and then go out to buy some trumpets and drums for the juvenile population, which is the way such regulations are generally observed in this country. We have noise enough in the streets. Let us get ready to increase it in the home for a week or two. By the way, what alarm was that?

A CHARITY FUND

When appeals were sent throughout the country for those who had suffered in the great western floods last spring, the response was ready and generous—so much so that after the disaster had been remedied in a financial sense, almost \$60,000 remains in the hands of the governor of Indiana. Practically the same thing happened after the San Francisco earthquake, and though the distribution of charity at that time was not without its revelations of graft and mismanagement, quite a little money was returned to the sources from which it came. In the case of the surplus held by the governor of Indiana, many organizations and individuals have applied for a share of it, and there is a great deal of uncertainty as to what uses it should be applied.

At this time when the needs for charity are so urgent there are many splendid purposes to which this fund could be put, but the appropriateness of many methods of possible distribution may be questioned. This money, raised by public subscription, was sent to succor those who were made destitute in a calamity of a national character, and it should not be devoted to private charities. It could be turned over to the National Red Cross society with advantage, but it seems that even a more fitting purpose can be served.

In a country as large as ours we are certain from time to time to face great calamities due to the ravages of the elements, such as flood, tornado or storms or the destitution and want that follows earthquake, fire, or other catastrophes. At such times appeals will be made to the public for financial aid, and it would seem most fitting that the surplus remaining from a response to one appeal should be held in readiness to aid another afflicted

portion of the people in the country. It is to be hoped that such an appeal will not come for a great many years, but even so, the \$50,000 left since the so-called Dayton floods will be all the more valuable. Private charities will be supported by the generous public as they have always been, but this money should be applied to the relief of those whose destitution is such as to appeal to the whole country, irrespective of sectional differences.

TRADE WITH CHINA

In "Business America," a magazine devoted to a discussion of domestic and foreign trade and commerce, Major John B. Jeffrey calls attention to the vast possibilities of future Chinese trade and the apathy towards it which prevails here—due mostly to a misunderstanding of real industrial conditions in China at the present time. Having recently returned from a long stay in Shanghai he is personally familiar with his subject and deals with it in a manner calculated to awaken widespread interest in the development of American trade with the great and growing nation of the Orient.

After summing up the results of modern awakening in this great country of 450,000,000 people Mr. Jeffrey says: "Its commercial possibilities seem almost limitless." Its wealth is beyond computation; it is a nation of farmers, artisans and merchants. It has all the elements of a wealth-producing country, especially abundance of raw material. The nations of Europe are fully aware of this and though America is the nearest neighbor of importance and regarded very favorably by Chinese of all classes, European merchants are getting most of the business. As an instance of American carelessness, Mr. Jeffrey says: "When I left Shanghai there were being used about seven hundred automobiles, and out of this number just one was an American car, all others being of French and English make."

What is needed here is first of all a realization of what the China of today is. So speedily has been its rise that we do not realize that it has railroads and steamship lines, imposing public buildings, great manufacturing plants, electrically lighted streets, mammoth tunnels and other engineering feats of the first class; public libraries; museums; high class educational institutions, sound banks and modern commercial systems. There is a market there for almost everything we manufacture, and all that is needed is a spirit enterprising enough to investigate real conditions in China and wise enough to meet its people in fair dealing. "Americans should not be so blind to their own interests," says Mr. Jeffrey, "as to permit Europeans to control the field of this great trade."

DAYTON STILL EXPERIMENTING

The city of Dayton, O., is determined to get good and efficient government and while it approves of the commission form as originated by Des Moines and adopted by cities everywhere, Lowell included, it has decided to add to it another municipal employee who is to be known as city manager. Dayton has seen, as all sincere municipalities must see eventually, that no matter how earnest, competent, and desirable municipal employees are, they are very much hampered in their work by retarding influences among the electorate. To be effective for good much municipal activity should be outside the sphere of politics, and the appointing of a city manager tends to this end. As a city solicitor gives expert advice in matters of legal controversy, the city manager will give expert advice on the ground of economy and efficiency. All commission governed cities will watch the Dayton experiment with interest.

DECORATE A LITTLE

The hanging of a fresh green wreath in the front window, tied with a bow of brilliant scarlet, does not necessitate a large expenditure of money or much waste of time and it means a great deal to all who go abroad in the joyous Christmas season of peace on earth and good will to men. Prosaic modernism gets colder and colder yearly in its onslaughts on all poetic usage, but while we are a Christian nation the time of Christmas will waken thoughts that find expression in open manifestations of joy. As people hide miseries of soul under a smiling exterior, the pangs of many homes are hidden under a show of Christmas brightness. With a blazing fire, friendly reunions, and a holy spray of wreath of evergreen in the lighted window, who can be pessimistic enough to doubt that somewhere there

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GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES

The momentous question of government ownership of the telephone system of the country is the most important matter brought to the attention of the public at the present time and though it is said to be strongly supported in congress it is receiving but scant support in the press. It is sponsored by Representative Lewis of Maryland, author of the Patent Post act, which has been an undoubted benefit to the country. Possibly he sees more in the situation than people generally do, but there is a feeling that the government has not yet demonstrated efficiency enough in the postal department to warrant popular confidence concerning the venture.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

PAINFUL ABSURDITY

Boston Post: The progress of the Pankhurst movement grows from day to day in painful absurdity. Inside the jails there is foolish self-immolation by those who have been caught outside, those who have evaded the police indulge in malicious and inconsequent child's play.

CURRENCY BILL

Boston Herald: The democrats, entrusted with authority in house, senate and presidency, have now passed a currency bill. Our senator Weeks, with some misgivings, has voted for it. This gives the business elements of the country a measure of currency reform, but other states ground for believing that perhaps the measure is further action. It is at all events a monumental achievement to get a comprehensive measure of currency reform as far as the statute books. The passage of the bill bears substantial testimony to the capacity for leadership of Woodrow Wilson.

STILL AT HIM

Woonsocket Call: President Wilson's anger over the Carabao dinner incident should not be condemned without thought. We do not take it that Mr. Wilson felt personal offense was meant. If anybody was shot at in the dummy battleship parade it was the secretary of state, the cartoon ideas adopted from the chief newspaper enemy of the president and Mr. Bryan. The order has specifically disclaimed that they have, unintended, to show any animosity against the president's Philippine policy. If they resent any influence in the far east it is Mr. Bryan's.

MINING FATALITIES

Brookline Times: The rescue organization stronger than ever, and mine safety devices and laws for their application as near perfection as seemed possible, this year's coal mine tragedies have been unusually frequent and horrible, both in this country and abroad. Pessimism perhaps is unwarranted, but it is admitted that so far there is little hope that coal mining may be made much less dangerous than it is at present.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Providence Tribune: We want the gifts that bring surprise and pleasure, the children should have toys and things appropriate to their tastes; and men and women should realize that real Christmas spirit does not reject things which should be provided throughout the year. The best possible present for a relative or a friend is an article of luxury rather than necessity—something which reflects thoughtfulness and a studied desire to surprise and please.

BRICK PAYMENTS

Worcester Post: An object lesson in the proper granting of brick payments was disclosed by the recent Ohio floods, says the Scientific American. The roadway was invaded by a small creek which rains had swelled to the proportions of a river. A stone retaining wall was wrecked and half the roadway washed out. The concrete base fell away in pieces, but the brick surface stands today apparently as firm as ever and capable of bearing the weight of an automobile. The management portion of the brick is 30 feet in length and 7 feet in width. The road will be refilled and tamped laterally beneath the paving.

GEN. WILSON ILL

Civil War Veteran and Writer in New York Hospital

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Gen. James Grant Wilson, Civil war veteran and writer, is seriously ill in St. Luke's hospital, where he was taken three days ago. It was said there today that his condition was not considered critical at present.

Gen. Wilson, who is 82 years old, is president of the New York Genealogical and Biographical society. Since 1865 he has been engaged in literary work in this city. He was the author of many books, including the life of Gen. Grant, the Great Commanders Series and Bryant and His Friends. He was married in 1907 to Mrs. Mary H. Nicholson, widow of Admiral Nicholson.

GERALDINE FARRAR ILL

MELROSE SONG BIRD'S VOCAL CHORDS AFFECTED BY SEVERE COLD CAUGHT IN BOSTON

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Patrons of grand opera and friends of Miss Geraldine Farrar, who is a native of Melrose, have been much disturbed at reports of her serious illness, which have reached here from New York.

The fact that two of the most eminent throat specialists in the world have been attending her gave rise to rumors that she was affected by a serious ailment, possibly affecting her voice.

William E. Walter of Boston, press agent for Charles H. Ellis of Boston, concert manager for Miss Farrar, last night declared she was suffering from relaxed vocal chords, brought on by a cold she contracted in Boston on Nov. 1st.

Charles J. Gennell and Family.

Seen and Heard

In addition to her passengers, the Mauretania on her last trip carried five Pekinese dogs said to be worth \$10,000 which were cared for by a special attendant who had been hired for the occasion on account of his general air of good breeding, it was said. The champion breed of Pekinese are so sensitive, the attendant alleged, that they refuse chopped humping birds' liver and other delicacies when they are not prepared by a man of gentle birth.

Harvard square, about which student activities have centered for years is to be transformed, Harvard officials have been investigating with a view to making the college surroundings more beautiful.

Massachusetts avenue is to assume a Parisian boulevard effect by the alteration of the present old store and office building and the erection of arcades. Among the new structures planned are a theatre, a woman's college and a hotel. The proposed changes will cost \$3,000,000.

"Dear Mabel," he began, "do you love me?" "Oh-h George!" "Won't you, Mabel? Just a little tiny bit?" "Well, y-e-s, George."

"And if I married you, would your father give us a separate establishment?" "Yes, George."

"And take me into partnership?" "Yes, George."

"And would your mother keep away from us, except when I invited her?" "She would, George."

"And your brothers and sisters, too?" "Why, certainly, George."

"And of course, the old gent would settle my debts?" "Of course, George."

"And buy us an automobile and provide you with a handsome dowry?" "Yes, George."

"Darling, will you marry me?" "No, George!"

An old farmer in Missouri called at a roadside public house, he was well known. The landlady asked him to buy a ticket for a lottery they had on sale there.

"Well," he said, "I have nothing in my pocket, or I might."

"Oh, that's all right, John," she said, "take the ticket and pay for it any time."

Some time later John called again, and the landlady asked him if he knew who had won the lottery.

"No," he said, "Who won?" "Well, I hardly dare tell you, but our Sam won. Wasn't he lucky?"

"Yes," said John, "he was lucky. And who was second, then?" "I don't really tell you. Who would you think how?"

"I couldn't say," said John. "Well it was our Sally. Wasn't she lucky?"

"And who was third?" "Well," she said, "you would never guess and I might as well tell. I was third. Wasn't I lucky?"

"You were," he said. "Did I ever pay you for that ticket, missus?" "No, John you didn't," she said, beaming upon him.

"Well," said John, "ain't I lucky?" Charles L. Simmon, a London advertising expert, was praising in New York the change that has come over the advertising.

"In advertising, as in other things," he said, "it has been found that honesty pays, and today, throughout the world, the successful advertiser is modest and conservative in his statements."

"Advertising is no longer mistrusted. Things are no longer as they were, in Phat's day."

"You know Phat, our 400-pound bookkeeper," said one man in the street to another.

"Yes. What of him?" "Well, he saw an ad in the paper. 'Fat folks reduced; \$5,' and answered it."

"Did he get any reply?" "Oh, yes; it was just as advertised."

"That's good. And how much was he reduced?" "Why, just as the advertisement said, \$5."—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

Senator Clapp of Minnesota tells of the cross-examination of a Swede. "Now, Jensen," asked the lawyer, "what do you do?"

"Thank you," replied the Swede, "I am not very well."

"I didn't ask you how your health was," said the lawyer, "but what do you do?"

"Oh, yes, Aw see," said the fellow, his stolid countenance changing a trifle, "Aw work."

"Yes, I know that, but what kind of work do you do?"

"It's puddy hard work."

"Yes, but do you die a team, or do you work on a railroad, or do you work in a factory?"

"Oh, yes, Aw work in a factory."

"Well, what kind of a factory is it?"

"It es a very-big factory."

"The lawyer was much exasperated."

"Now, see here, Jensen, tell us what you do in the factory. What do you make?"

"Oh, yes, Aw understand. You bane vat to know vat Aw make in the factory?"

"Exactly. Now, tell us what you make."

"Yes, Aw make von dollar and a half a day."—Hearst's Magazine.

The Harvard Lampoon has the following:

1. Rudolph Rumble, crossing Harvard Bridge, saw an old man's hat blow off in front of an auto. Running in front of the car, he saved the hat from the river, saving it from being crushed beneath the wheels.

2. Bobbie Butt noticed a young negro standing on the third story ledge of a building washing windows, and called to him to look out. The lad turned, fell and broke his leg. Had he not been warned he would have undoubtedly broken his neck.

3. Harry Wrinkle perceived an infant playing about the front steps of a large apartment house. He took the child to the police station and locked it up where, the grateful mother found it three days later. The child meanwhile has strayed away, causing the parents hours of needless anxiety.

4. Willie Wobble noticed a grocery horse standing beside the curb, perspiring freely. He unhitched the animal, led it home and gave it a cool witch-hazel sponge bath. Flushed by a good wash of mashed potatoes. The owner may get his horse by going to Willie's house in South Weymouth.

5. Clarence Cod saw an elderly lady about to step on the hem of her dress at the entrance of the subway. Rushing to her, he pushed her over on her back, thereby, in all probability, saving her from a nasty fall down stairs.

6. Phredde Phutt perceived a laborer sitting on a bale of straw smoking a pipe. With great presence of mind he seized a bucket of water and wet down both the man and the straw thoroughly, thus allowing the honest fellow to enjoy his pipe without further risk of fire.

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Full Belt Overcoats—Very handsome Scotch coatings and chinchillas from one of our best manufacturers—sold for \$7.00 and \$8.00..... **5.00**

All of Our Finest Overcoats—Chinchillas and Scotch coatings, made with full belts, some with plaited backs—sold for \$10.00 and \$11.00..... **7.50**

VERY SMART OVERCOATS FOR BOYS 10 TO 18. AND FOR YOUNG WOMEN

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50 Belted Overcoats—Sizes 11 years to 18, single and double breast—made from novelty overcoatings and smart Scotch coatings—sold for \$8 and \$9..... **5.50**

43 Chinchilla and Scotch Overcoats—Made with full belts or half belts or split sleeve and cuffs, extremely stylish garments—sold for \$14.00 and \$15.00.... **10.00**

All of Our Finest Overcoats—Made by Rogers Peet Co. and other special manufacturers—the choicest garments we have ever shown—chinchilla and Scotch coatings—sold for \$17, \$18 and \$20..... **12.50**

399 WERE KILLED

Casualties Caused by Persons Walking Along Railroad Tracks

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—A way in which Boy Scouts may be of great assistance in minimizing railroad casualties is suggested in a letter from J. A. Rea, president of the Pennsylvania Railroad, to Collin Livingstone of this city, president of the National Council of Boy Scouts of America.

Mr. Rea points out that 399 trespass-

ers were killed on the lines of the Pennsylvania system during a period of six years and he urges the scouts to be of value to communities wherein they are organized in influencing and warning persons of the liability taken in walking along railroad tracks.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div.		Portland Div.	
To	From	To	From
Boston	Boston	Boston	Boston
Lowell	Lowell	Lowell	Lowell
Andover	Andover	Andover	Andover
Haverhill	Haverhill	Haverhill	Haverhill
Salem	Salem	Salem	Salem
Amherst	Amherst	Amherst	Amherst
Northampton	Northampton	Northampton	Northampton
Springfield	Springfield	Springfield	Springfield
Worcester	Worcester	Worcester	Worcester
Uxbridge	Uxbridge	Uxbridge	Uxbridge
Needham	Needham	Needham	Needham
Dorchester	Dorchester	Dorchester	Dorchester
South Boston	South Boston	South Boston	South Boston

\$175,000 LOSS 3 Hurt in Blaze That Destroyed Worcester Department Store

WORCESTER, Dec. 22.—Fire took a heavy toll of Santa Claus here yesterday morning when flames swept the seven-story annex of the C. P. Sherer company department store, filled with holiday stock, damaged the main store and adjoining buildings, and for a while threatened the whole retail district with destruction.

The total loss will reach \$175,000, nearly half of this being of special Christmas goods, including many thousands of dollars' worth of toys.

It took four hours of hard fighting, during which three firemen were severely hurt and five overcome with smoke, before the blaze was under control.

The firemen were handicapped by the fact that the fire seemed to have been smoldering four hours before it was discovered and the four top floors of the building were spouting flame from every window before a single stream of water could be put on it.

The main Sherer store, at the corner of Front and Commercial streets, faces Worcester common and thousands stopped on their way to church and packed the open space to watch the showiest conflagration this city has had for years. The presence of the big crowd in this section of the city, when the fire was first discovered at 2:30, greatly hampered the firemen.

The heat was so great that all attempts to save the annex were abandoned and the firemen turned their efforts to saving the main store and the adjoining Chase office building. The latter caught several times and was only saved by a desperate fight.

MEXICAN GENERAL DEPOSED

GUINAGA, Mexico, Dec. 22.—General Salvador Mercado, commander-in-chief of the Mexican federal troops in the north, was deposed yesterday and it was reported to United States army officers that he had escaped in disguise to the American side of the border.

Mercado's execution of Chihuahua City without a fight was said to have caused his summary dismissal on orders from Mexico City.

General Francisco Castro, formerly commander of federal troops at Juarez, was named successor to General Mercado.

Much activity, believed by some to be preliminary to a general movement of the federalists away from the border, was manifested soon after General Castro took command.



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For Women For Children For Men

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- NECKWEAR
- HANDKERCHIEFS
- FURS
- UNDERMUSLINS
- BOOKS
- STOCKINGS
- NECKTIES
- RUBBER BOOTS
- SLIPPERS
- HANDKERCHIEFS
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- Coffee Percolators, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.25
- Coffee Machines, \$5.25 and \$6.49
- Crumb Tray and Brush, 50c and 98c
- Bread Plate, \$1.98
- Serving Dishes, \$3.75 and \$4.49
- Casseroles, \$1.39, \$1.98, \$2.19, \$2.49, \$2.98, \$3.75, \$3.98 and \$4.98.
- Chafing Dishes, \$4.98, \$6.49, \$6.98, \$7.50, \$8.98
- ALUMINUM WARE
- Teapots, \$1.05, \$1.80, \$1.95, \$2.15, \$2.35, \$2.65
- Coffee Pots, \$1.50, \$1.65, \$1.80, \$2.00 and \$2.25
- Percolators, \$3.25, \$4.75 and \$4.98
- Double Boilers, \$1.35, \$1.59, \$1.75, \$1.95, \$2.25 and \$2.75.
- Berlin Kettles, \$2.10, \$2.75 and \$3.00
- Tea Kettles, \$2.98, \$3.25, \$3.39 and \$3.59
- Lipped Sauce Pans, 42c, 60c, 75c, 85c, 98c, and \$1.10.
- Lipped Kettles, 85c, 98c, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.40, \$1.65, \$1.80 and \$2.25.
- Omelet Pans, \$1.25
- USEFUL GIFTS
- Carpet Sweepers, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$4.00
- Bread Makers, \$2.00 and \$2.50
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- Towel Bars, 50c, 55c, 65c, 70c, 80c, 90c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.25.
- Mirrors, \$3.98, \$4.98, \$5.98, \$6.75, \$7.50, \$7.98, \$8.98 and \$9.75.
- Combinations, \$1.38, \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.25, \$3.75, \$4.00 and \$4.50.
- Shaving Combinations, 75c, \$2.00 and \$3.75
- Medicine Cabinets, \$2.25, \$2.49, \$2.98, \$3.25 and \$4.25.
- Soap Dishes, 50c, 69c, 75c, 98c, \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.25 and \$1.50.
- Toilet Paper Boxes, \$1.38 and \$1.50
- Dental Combinations, .75c
- Ceple Paper, all colors, 5c Roll
- Decorated Ceple Paper, 10c PKG.
- White Tissue Paper, 10c Dozen Sheets
- Girls' Sleds, 50c, 60c, 79c and 98c
- Boys' Sleds, 50c, 59c, 69c, 89c and 98c
- Speedway Myers, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.98
- Flexible Flyers, \$2.49, \$2.98, \$3.75 and \$4.49
- Racer's Flyers, \$4.25
- Wagons, 89c, \$1.69 and \$2.49
- Children's Desks, \$1.00 and \$1.75
- Baby Yards, \$2.98
- Rondle's Little Mothers' Baby Tenders, \$2.98

LOCAL NEWS

Best printing: Tobin's, Asso. bldg.

Success poem, "Youth's Lessons of Life," in booklet at Prince's and Kildee's. Price 25 cents.

Hert Tabor, director of Tabor's Sixth Regiment band, was agreeably surprised yesterday forenoon, when the members of the musical organization presented him a purse containing \$50 in gold. The presentation was made at the rehearsal by Charles A. Delaronde.

There was a large attendance at the 16th musical recital conducted by Edward Everett Adams at Odd Fellows temple last evening. The program consisted of advanced work, and included selections from the old masters as well as from those of modern times, and each number was fully appreciated.

The annual festival of the children of the First Street Day Nursery was held Saturday afternoon and a delightful program was carried out. Each child present received a little gift from the Christmas tree and the afternoon was one of the most enjoyable of the year for the little ones.

A group of members of the C. M. A. C. met at the club's quarters in Faytucket street, yesterday afternoon and organized a bowling league, which will be known as the C. M. A. C. Duck Pin Bowling League. The officers of the league are: President, J. M. G. Porter, vice president, L. A. Boulter, secretary and treasurer, Edmund P. Fontaine Jr. The following committee was also named to arrange a schedule of games: Albert Bergeron, Lazarus Boulter, Theodore L. Blanchette, W. A. Dragon, Isidore Trudel and A. Lavole. There will be six teams in the league, which will be known as the C. M. A. C. Duck Pin Bowling League. A meeting of the schedule committee and board of officers will be held in the near future and final arrangements for the opening of the league will be made.

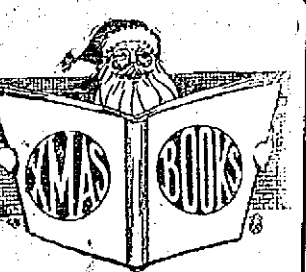


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MRS. PANKHURST

Goes to Paris to Recuperate After Hunger and Thirst Strike

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst left London very quietly yesterday for Paris on the way to Switzerland to recuperate from the hunger and thirst strike in Holloway jail, from which she was released on Dec. 17. Her departure was not accompanied by any of the usual demonstrations.

Rumors were in circulation today that relations were strained between Mrs. Sylvia Pankhurst and Miss Cristabel Pankhurst, the two daughters of the militant mother, in consequence of Sylvia's determination to concentrate her campaign in the East End of London and in efforts to co-operate with the members of the labor party. Cristabel disapproves of this scheme and is said to be withholding money.

HOLIDAY RUSH

Washington is Crowded as on Inauguration Day

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The holiday rush of sightseers to the national capital is on. At this season Washington attracts more visitors than at any other time of the year. Thousands of persons have already begun to flock here and each incoming train is crowded. The throng at the Union station today was so large that employees felt as though inauguration day was being repeated. The visitors are made up principally of delegations of girls and young men students from various parts of the country.

Lowell Opera House

The House Beautiful

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RURAL SCHOOLS

Much Progress Made—Education of Illiterate Immigrants Urged

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Investigation of the education of illiterate immigrants and dissemination of information as to the best methods of reducing the large amount of illiteracy of adult population in all parts of the country, is recommended by P. P. Claxton, federal commissioner of education in his annual report, just made public. Appropriations by congress for investigation of rural education and school hygiene and for education and medical and sanitary relief of natives of Alaska also are recommended. A more thorough co-operation between home and school for the education of children of school age is urged.

The report declares that special stress has been and is being laid upon health teaching throughout the country. Much progress is noted in the furtherance of rural education.

BETTER WAGES

Boot, Hosiery and Other Industries Paid More in 1912 Than 1911

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Wage data, covering the earnings and hours of employment of more than 15,000 people

THEATRE VOYONS

"THE SUNKEN TREASURE"

A Cities Release in Two Parts—A stirring story of the sea

"THE FACE OF FEAR"

A Great Western Story

engaged in the boot, shoe, hosiery and knit goods industries, were made public today by the bureau of labor statistics.

In the boot and shoe business wages rates per hour in 1912 were 6.5 per cent higher than in 1911, although there was a reduction in the number of working hours of 1.5 per cent.

In the hosiery and knit goods industry the report states, the rates of wages per hour in 1912 were 5.8 per cent higher than in 1911, despite a reduction of 1.7 per cent in the actual time of employment.

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THE HOSPITAL SITE
MAY BE PURCHASED

At Tomorrow's Meeting of Council—Public Hearing Slated—The Park Loan to be Considered

The meeting of the municipal council scheduled for tomorrow forenoon at 11 o'clock promises to be a very busy and very interesting one. The council will give hearings on the proposition for a contagious disease hospital on the Dr. Pillsbury estate and other matters slated for consideration include the \$33,000 loan order for the purchase of land from the Locks and Canal company for playground purposes in West Centralville.

Another hearing will have to do with the relocation of a pole in Edson street. Persons in that street object to the present location of a certain pole and James F. Owens will appear for them. The council will have a big list of petitions to consider. Most of them will have to do with poles and wire attachments and the business of the meeting will also include the drawing of jurors, one grand juror and eight traverse jurors to serve in the superior court in Cambridge.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

Nashua Chauffeur in Court This Morning—Man Fined \$50 for Carrying Revolver

The case of George L. Erb, charged with manslaughter, the driver of the machine which ran over and killed Merrill Woodward in North Clemsford yesterday afternoon, was continued until two weeks from today. Bail was fixed at \$1000. The defendant is a resident of Nashua, N. H.

Charles Zelo was charged with the larceny of \$400 from Mary Tabor and pleaded not guilty in a loud voice. The defendant announced that he was prepared for trial today, but his lawyer asked for a continuance until next Wednesday, which was granted.

Carried Revolver

A 38 calibre blue metal revolver thrust under his shirt beneath the prisoner's left armpit was all that about Freeman found when he searched Manuel Gonzales upon his arrest for drunkenness.

The defendant admitted without argument that he was carrying a revolver but claimed that he bought the weapon for a friend in the old country to whom he was going to send it. The question as to why he should carry a friend's revolver in the bosom of his shirt rather than nonplussed him, however. Judge Enright imposed a fine of \$50 upon Gonzales.

Wanted Jail Sentence

Alfred W. Douglas, a young man who gave his home as Brockton, was arrested by Officer Farmer of Tewksbury late Saturday night in a drunken condition. He pleaded guilty this morning and said that he had been arrested twice before for the same offense. He was afraid that he might be tempted and fall again and thought that a jail residence for a few days would do him good. He was sent to jail for 10 days.

Asked to Leave City

A suspended sentence of three months in jail for passed out to Alice Murtha, Alice lives in Stoughton, but has made many appearances before the Lowell police court. Judge Enright suspended her sentence on condition that she leave for home at once.

Robert Alton told a very plausible tale about his misfortune and the pitfalls that have beset his path of late, but it so happens that Supt. Welch knows the defendant from long acquaintance. Alton did not pay his last fine and was sent to the state farm this morning.

Thomas Lindsay was allowed to depart for his third offence for drunkenness after promising to pay a fine of \$15 in three weeks. Wm. J. McInnis, a parole man, was sent back to the state farm. Cornelius Buckley and Victor Lesard were fined \$6 each.

Mike Cusick was fined \$5 for being drunk yesterday. Resie Dussault received a suspended sentence of three months in jail for drunkenness.

HAVE DYS-PEP-LETS AT XMAS DINNER

The rich Christmas dinner "indigestibles," so-called—mince pie, plum pudding, turkey dressing, nuts and raisins—may be eaten without hesitation and heartily, even if your digestion is weak, if you have a box of dys-pep-lets at hand. These agreeable sugar-coated digestive tablets aid digestion, prevent as well as relieve sour stomach, wind in the stomach, heartburn and nausea.

Dys-pep-lets are an elegant combination of the best digestives, correctives and carminatives, and are sold by druggists everywhere. Pocket box, 10c; larger sizes, 25c and \$1.00. Get a box today.

Disturbing Peace

Ossman Haseam and Jago Orgly were charged with disturbing the peace and both pleaded guilty without a demurrer. The officer who made the arrest told the court that the two had tried

At the meeting of the Y. M. C. A. collectors, early this afternoon, the committees, after a great struggle, announced that the new building had been saved from the auctioneer's hammer by the generosity of the people of Lowell.

The efforts of the committees since Saturday were exerted wherever it was thought a contribution could be secured.

The leading contributors as already announced have been Jacob Rogers, A. G. Pollard and Agent Cumnock.

The principal contributors today were: Herbert F. Lyman, \$1000; Edward Lovering, \$1000; C. P. Baker, \$1000; Chas. F. Fairbanks, \$1000; Shattuck & Hussey, Chicago \$1700.

The total amount raised to date was \$81,503.66.

1300 RESCUED BY STEAMERS

PARIS, Dec. 22.—Fresh eruptions have caused further destruction of life among the natives of the island of Ambrim in the new Hebrides group, according to a report received today at the ministry of marine from the captain of the gunboat Kersaint on his arrival at Noumea, New Caledonia.

Dip Point, on the western coast of the island, has been buried beneath a heavy fall of cinders and many of its inhabitants are missing. Two local steamers rescued 1300 natives and it is estimated that over 500 have perished. No Europeans or Americans have been killed.

RAMPOLLA'S WILL MISSING

ROME, Italy, Dec. 22.—A rumor is current in Vatican circles that a box supposed to contain the will and other important papers of the late Cardinal Rampolla has disappeared.

VERDICT AGAINST CITY SCHMIDT TRIAL

Jury Reports Verdict of \$500 in Case of Chadwick vs. the City of Lowell

In the case of Sarah Chadwick, who brought suit against the city of Lowell in the sum of \$4000 for personal injury the jury, this morning, returned a verdict of \$500 for the plaintiff, which is in reality almost a verdict for the defendant. The plaintiff claimed that she fell into a hole in inland street. The street department was employed in inland street at the time and the plaintiff claimed that the hole, made in the street by the street department, was left unguarded and she fell in, sustaining serious injuries.

The twelve jurors were then dismissed and Judge Chase heard motions for new trials on the following cases: Scullano vs. Boston and Maine,

verdict of \$3500 for plaintiff; Ellis vs. Horne, \$37.50 for plaintiff; Goddard vs. Horne, \$67.50 for plaintiff; Stout vs. More, \$231 for plaintiff; Sousa vs. Margosian, verdict for defendant; Dewey vs. Bay State Street Railway, \$20 for plaintiff; Reddy vs. Harding, \$25 for plaintiff; Town of Pepperell vs. Town of Roxbury, verdict for defendant.

The record of the fall sitting which closed this morning is as follows:

Number of cases tried, 50.
Verdicts for plaintiffs, 19.
Verdicts for defendants, 10.
Disagreements, 1.
Cases settled, 11.
Largest verdict, \$3500.
Smallest verdict, \$20.
Average verdict, \$550.33.

SCHUMANN-HEINK SUES FOR DIVORCE

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Suit for divorce was filed here today by Madame Ernestine Schumann-Heink, the singer, against her husband, William Rapp. Desertion is the charge. They were married here in May, 1905, and the contract since has made Chicago her residence. Rapp deserted her two years ago, she alleges. They had no children.

Temperamental and family differences are said to have estranged the Rapps. Madame Schumann-Heink had eight children by her two former marriages. That she would seek a divorce from Rapp has been known for some time to her friends.

A Battle of Alienists is Looked for at Today's Proceedings

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The battle of alienists upon which may depend the life of Hans Schmidt was looked for today at Schmidt's trial for the murder of Anna Ammiller. Before court opened this morning the prisoner asked that all the sanity experts but two be excluded from the room. "These two," he said, "are both scientific and humane, and they know that I am sane. The others think I am insane." His request was not granted.

The defense today continued its examination of Dr. Perry Lichenstein, physician at the Tombs, where Schmidt is confined. It was said that only one more witness remained before both sides called their alienists.

NEW MINISTER TO MEXICO

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 22.—Signor Camille, the newly appointed Italian minister to Mexico, arrived here today on the steamer Corcovado and will leave for Mexico City tonight.

DESIRABLE HOLIDAY GIFTS

Kodaks \$6.00 to \$50.00
Brownies \$1.00 to \$12.00
Lorgnettes \$3.00 to \$25.00
Opera Glasses \$4.00 to \$20.00
Field Glasses \$6.00 to \$40.00
Flash Lights 50c to \$1.50

J. A. McEVoy
OPTICIAN

SECOND EDITION

FOR LATER LOCAL AND TELEGRAPH NEWS AND TODAY'S STOCK MARKET REPORT SEE NEXT EDITION

CURRENCY BILL MAY BECOME LAW TODAY

Measure in its Final Form Reported to the Both Houses of Congress Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The administration currency bill in its final form was reported to both houses of congress today to be written into law. The members of the conference committee which labored until dawn this morning, thrashing out the differences between the two houses presented a perfected measure which followed closely the lines laid down by President Wilson in his demands for currency reform. A general desire among legislators to get away from Washington for the Christmas holidays resulted in a program calculated by democratic leaders to place the bill before the president for his signature tonight and to hasten the way for an immediate recess. In the house, procedure called for the setting aside of the rules in order that the conference report might not be forced to lie over for a day to be printed. In the senate the leaders endeavored to smooth away the obstacles, chief of which was an incident protest by the supporters of the provision for an insurance of bank deposits which was stricken out of the bill in conference. The conferees agreed on practically all of the fundamentals of the measure as it passed the senate including the provision that not less than eight nor more than 12 regional banks had been created. The reserve requirements for banks entering the system, which had been slightly let down by the senate, were strengthened in conference, an amendment allowing the use of the present bank notes and the proposed new federal reserve notes in bank reserves being stricken out. In order to make the change the house conferees called in Rep. Bulkeley of Ohio, a member of the house banking committee, who made an extended argument to show that the provision was unnecessary.

Two per cent. bonds on which the present currency is based was written into the bill by the conference. Under the plan \$36,000,000 of these bonds will be purchased each year, beginning two years after the system is placed in operation by the new regional banks from the present national banks.

On one half of its holdings each regional bank may issue currency. The remainder will be refunded in three per cent. 30 year bonds and three per cent. one year treasury notes, which the banks must agree to renew each year for 30 years.

Representative Underwood, the democratic leader of the house, planned to attempt to get the conference report through today under a unanimous consent agreement but other leaders were doubtful of their ability to secure action in both house and senate before tomorrow.

Under the conference agreement, cities where regional reserve banks are to be located will be selected by the secretary of the treasury, the secretary of agriculture and the comptroller of the currency.

When telegrams favoring Seattle were presented to the senate today by Senator Poinsette, Senator Burton declared that the organization should be left entirely outside its influence in determining where the new banks were to be located. If it were practical, he said, congress should pass a resolution that no senator or representative should use his influence with the organization committee.

WARNING!

In previous years instances have occurred in the nature of depredations at the Lowell Cemetery at Christmas season. Trees have been cut and stolen presumably for Christmas use. There is a severe and well defined penalty for misbehavior of this kind. All persons are warned against commitment of such acts. Be assured, all that corporation will protect its property. The line of spruce trees on Lawrence street, opposite the cemetery, are cemetery property on cemetery land. Proprietors of the Lowell Cemetery.

CHARLES I. KNAPP,
Treasurer.

THE WINTER IS HERE

FIRST DAY IS NOT VERY SEVERE—
INDIAN SUMMER SEEMS TO BE WITH US YET

A great deal has been said about the very mild winter and it has been stated repeatedly that Indian summer is lingering in the lap of winter. Poor old Indian summer has not yet had an opportunity to "linger longer Lucy" in the lap of old man Winter, for the old man didn't arrive until today. This is the first day of winter and if Indian summer wants to throw her arms around old man Winter's neck and hug him tight she had her permission. We don't care how long she may linger in his lap, but we don't want her accused of having already lingered when as a matter of fact her old elum, Winter, did not put in an appearance until today.

ITALIAN AMBASSADOR PROTESTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Marquis Cusani Confalonieri, the Italian ambassador, protested to the state department today against a provision in the pending immigration bill proposing to place American commissioners on Italian immigrant ships. While he did not lodge a formal protest in behalf of his government he reiterated views he presented on the same subject when a similar bill was pending previously.

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Terrible Details of Volcanic Eruptions—The Flames 1000 ft. High

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 22.—Incoming steamers bring terrible details of the recent volcanic eruptions on the island of Ambrym, in the New Hebrides group, in which 500 natives lost their lives. Witnesses of the disturbance describe it as having been so sudden and violent that they expected to see the whole western side of the island disappear.

With a terrific roar, which was followed with a rapid succession of artillery-like detonations, all the craters of the volcano entered into full activity, spouting flames and lava and throwing out huge boulders. Great streams of lava soon were rushing down the slopes, cutting off the villagers from escape. In one instance two torrents of the molten mass joined and made an island of one entire section of a village. Here 50 or 60 persons perished.

The scenes at night were awe-inspiring. Flames shot into the air to a height of 1000 feet, illuminating the whole scene of destruction. The ocean seemed to boil as huge, spear-headed masses of stone fell into the sea and streams of lava poured into the bay. Dust from the craters gradually formed a black cloud which blotted out the light of the stars.

The bay after the eruption was filled with dead fish and large numbers of dead turtles. The water in the river was hot.

The British hospital buildings were wiped out of existence, but previous to their destruction the doctors pluckily removed all the patients to a launch and escaped with them.

EX-MAYOR SHEA DEAD
QUINCY, Dec. 22.—William T. Shea, mayor of Quincy from 1905 to 1912, died today after an illness of nearly a year, aged 57 years. He was a well known road-building contractor.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

Prominent Brockton Man Killed When Machine Turned Over

STOUGHTON, Dec. 22.—Plunged for an hour beneath his overturned automobile, R. Dale Smith, a prominent Brockton man, died on the roadbed in Washington street early yesterday morning while his companion, Dr. Charles J. Graustein, lay stunned beside him.

Within a hundred yards were several houses, but their occupants were asleep and unconscious of the tragedy.

Smith was dying when Dr. Graustein regained consciousness. He could hear the groans of his friend while he struggled to free himself from the overturned car. But by the time he had extricated himself, searched about the fouring car and found Smith's pulse had stopped. An hour passed between the time of the accident and when the physician felt about in the darkness for his wounded companion.

The two men were bound from Boston to Brockton. They reached Stoughton about 1 o'clock in the morning. On Washington street the machine stopped. Dr. Graustein says that when the auto began to slip on the roadbed he tried to stop it by pulling on the wheels, however, failed to catch the car.

The auto described an arc, and then, snapping in the air, fell upside down. Smith was plucked beneath the engine. Dr. Graustein in some manner caught his foot in a forward wheel and was rendered unconscious when the machine fell.

An hour later, according to Dr. Graustein, he regained his senses. His foot was still caught in the wheel and with difficulty and much pain he extricated it.

Dr. Graustein then went to the nearest house, that of John Webb, who woke up several of the neighbors and notified the police of both Stoughton and Brockton.

The party went immediately back to the place where the automobile overturned. Lifted it up and found Smith dead beneath it.

Red Blood

Is good blood—blood that nourishes the whole body, and enables every organ to perform its functions naturally. Many people owe it to HOOD'S SANGAPARILLA, which relieves scrofula, eczema, psoriasis, and all blood humors.

THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL

COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF CONSTRUCTION OF \$2,000,000 MONUMENT MET TODAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Lincoln memorial committee, charged by congress with responsibility for the construction of a \$2,000,000 memorial here to the martyred president met today in an effort to start the machinery in motion for erecting the memorial. The committee, headed by the former President Taft, chairman of the committee, arrived early today to attend the meeting. Some time ago the committee recommended the use of Colorado marble for the monument. Protests against this material then went to Secretary Garrison of the war department, who, under an act of congress, authorizing the memorial, has the authority to let the contract. The protesters favored the use of southern marble. Pending the letting of the contract by Secretary Garrison, it is stated, little progress can be made by the commission toward the erection of the memorial.

TRIAL OF A. A. McLEAN

TREASURER OF N. Y. DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE WILL BEarraigned IN JANUARY

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The trial of Arthur A. McLean, treasurer of the democratic state committee for 1912, will be held in January, according to an announcement by District Attorney Whitman today. McLean is indicted on two counts charging the acceptance of campaign contributions from corporations, a violation of the corporation laws and punishable by imprisonment of one year and a fine of \$1000.

CONGRESS DISSOLVED

GENERALS AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS APPROVED ORDER OF PRES. YUAN SHI KAI

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Just a ratification of the drastic measures already taken is the interpretation which members of the official circle here place upon the action of Yuan Shi Kai's generals and provincial governors in approving their president's order dissolving congress. It was explained that President Yuan realized that the legislators had assembled in a dual capacity and for that reason he ordered them to disband. Until order has been restored and the country's finances put on a sound footing the parliamentary branch of the government will be suspended, it was said.

TEDDY GOT 'EM GOING

FORMER PRESIDENT IN HOT ARGUMENT WITH CHILIAN OVER THE MONROE DOCTRINE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Members of the diplomatic corps, especially representatives from the South American countries, were greatly interested in a report reaching Washington yesterday that former President Roosevelt and Dr. Marchal Martinez, at one time Chilean minister to the United States, had clashed in Santiago de Chile on account of divergent views on the Monroe doctrine. The Chilean is reported to have strongly dissented from the Roosevelt view that the much discussed doctrine is still a vital issue.

FUNERAL NOTICES

KNOX—Died in North Chelmsford, Dec. 21 at his home on Wright street, David M. Knox, aged 41 years, 10 months, 17 days. Strictly private funeral services will be held from his late home, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Please omit flowers. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers Young and Blake.

JORDAN—Died, Dec. 20, in this city, Mrs. Sarah B. Jordan, aged 77 years, at her home, 230 East Merrimack street. She is survived by her husband, Joseph W. Jordan, two children, Ellen, Rose, and one grandson, Joseph W. Jordan. Funeral services will be held at 230 East Merrimack street, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers Young and Blake.

KELLEY—The funeral of John J. Kelley will take place Tuesday morning from the home of his son, Michael J. Kelley, 660 Broadway, at 11:15 o'clock. High mass of requiem at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Burialment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker Peter H. Savage in charge of funeral arrangements.

MARTIN—The funeral of John P. Martin will take place Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock from the home of his son, Stephen Laughton, 74 Chapel street. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at St. Peter's church at 8 o'clock. The interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker James H. McKenna in charge.

EGAN—The funeral of Elizabeth Egan will take place from the home of her sister, Mrs. M. Egan, 7 Bunting street, Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. High mass of requiem will be sung at St. Peter's church at 9 o'clock. Burialment in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker George A. McKenna in charge.

DEATHS

SHARP—Catherine Sharp died Saturday at the Chelmsford Street hospital, aged 50 years. She is survived by her husband, William. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertaker Peter H. Savage.

KNOX—David M. Knox died yesterday morning at his home in North Chelmsford, aged 41 years. He leaves, besides his mother, two sisters, Misses Jennie and Flora, and three brothers, Robert, George and John.

SUTCLIFFE—John T. Sutcliffe died Saturday at his home, 35 Elm street, North Chelmsford, aged 65 years. He leaves, besides his wife, Sarah A., one son, Everett of Waverly, and a daughter, May Sutcliffe of Billerica.

SHARP—Mrs. Catherine Sharp, aged 50 years, died Saturday at the Chelmsford Street hospital. She is survived by her husband, William. The body was removed to the funeral parlors of Undertaker Peter H. Savage.

KELLEY—Mrs. Ellen Kelley, wife of Patrick Kelley, died Saturday at her home, 123 High street, aged 38 years. Besides her husband, she leaves two daughters, Mrs. Arthur Lowell and Patrick Hunt of New York, and one sister, in Ireland.

OBER—Mrs. Jane A. Ober died Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary A. Fordham, at Billerica, aged 39 years. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Mary A. Fordham and Mrs. Jessie Barber of Wilkesbarre, N. Y., and eight grandchildren.

JORDAN—Mrs. Sarah B. Jordan died Saturday at her home, 230 East Merrimack street, aged 77 years, 6 months and 5 days. Besides her husband, Joseph W., she is survived by two children, Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford and J. Wilson Jordan, and one grandson, Joseph W. Jordan.

McKENZIE—Mrs. Rebecca McKenzie, widow of the late Robert McKenzie of Barre, Vt., died Saturday at 824 Bridge street, aged 81 years, 7 months. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. E. H. Rabour, one son, Walter E. of Alaska, and one grandson, Walter Belva of Boston.

WEBSTER—Mrs. Ann Webster, a well known and devout attendant of St. Michael's church, died last evening at her home, 151 Colburn street, after a long illness, aged 83 years. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. James Prector; one brother, John Mullarkey, and two sisters, Mrs. Ralph Holt and Mrs. Thomas E. Sherry.

RICO—Wasslow A. Rico died Saturday in Lawrence, aged 25 years. He was a native of the Philippine Islands, but has made Lowell his home for several years. He was a noted athlete, and was prominent in the local Y. M. C. A. He leaves one brother in the Philippines. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertakers Young & Blake.

MARTIN—John P. Martin, a well known and popular young man of this city, died Saturday afternoon at the Lowell hospital, aged 18 years. He leaves three sisters, Mrs. Mary Brown of Natick, and Misses Annie T. and Katherine Martin of this city, and one brother, Hugh Martin, of Lowell. The body was removed to the home of his aunt, Mrs. Stephen Laughton, 74 Chapel street.

SULLIVAN—The many friends of John J. Sullivan, a popular young resident of Pawtucketville, will be grieved to learn of his death which occurred last night at his home, 74 White street, aged 20 years, 6 months. Deceased was a young man of many fine traits and for whom the future held forth a promising career. Deceased was born in this city, the son of Michael M. and Mary Sullivan. Besides his parents he leaves one brother, John, and eight sisters, the Misses Sarah, Helen, Margaret, Mary, Grace, Irene, Ethel and Mildred Sullivan. He was a devout attendant of St. Columba's church and of the Holy Name sodality connected with the church.

FUNERALS

OBER—The funeral services of Mrs. Jane Ober took place at the home of

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her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Fordham, in Billerica Centre, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Harold Dale, pastor of the Congregational church, Billerica Centre, assisted by Rev. J. P. Frye. The body was forwarded to Wilkesborough, N. Y., where burial took place. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

RICO—The funeral services of Wasslow A. Rico took place at the rooms of Young and Blake, 33 Prescott street, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock and were largely attended. The services were conducted by Rev. Raymond G. Clapp, pastor of the First Trinitarian church. The bearers were J. Black, L. Brown, A. J. Wickes and A. Lamson. There was a delegation present from the Lowell and Lawrence Y. M. C. A. The flowers were many and beautiful. Burial was in the Westlawn cemetery.

HEALEY—The funeral of Mrs. Sophia Healey, wife of Frederick Healey was held Saturday afternoon from the rooms of Undertakers John A. Weinbeck, 16 Market street. Rev. N. W. Matthews, pastor of the Primitive Methodist church, officiated. The bearers were William Pangburn, William Chadwick, James Pangburn and Harry Sladg. Burial was in the Westlawn cemetery, where the committal services were read by Mr. Matthews.

BARBERIA—The funeral of Frank Barberia took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home of his brother, Manuel, 25 Marshall street, and was largely attended. Services were held at St. Anthony's church at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. Manuel H. Rodriguez officiating. Among the flowers was a cross inscribed "Frank" from the family.

PROVOST—The funeral of Nelson T. Provost, whose sudden death was a result of an accident caused much deep sorrow to his wide circle of friends, a few days ago, took place from his home in Graniteville at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The body was taken to St. Catherine's church, where the committal services were held and were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Edmund

At this time last year the board of health was up against a scarlet fever epidemic. It was on the eighth day of this month that the board held a special meeting for the purpose of formulating plans to fight the disease. There are but 15 cases of scarlet fever in the city at the present time and Agent Dates of the board of health allows that Lowell's physical condition is all to the good. During the 15 cases of scarlet fever there was in 19 cases of measles and 5 cases of diphtheria in the city.

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REVIEW OF COTTON CROP

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After having sold at 14 cents for the second time this season, the market declined again to the 13 cent level. The decline was brought about by the issuance of several private crop estimates for a yield of 15,000,000 bales or more.

As a matter of fact the large crop estimates have been taken more seriously by the trade than the smaller estimates, and as a crop of 15,000,000

would provide all the cotton needed this season, there was general liquidation of long contracts and of spot cotton, which resulted in the decline established.

However, the size of this year's crop remains an unknown quantity still, as one day an estimate of 15,000,000 bales will be issued, only to be followed by a prediction for a yield of about 14,000,000 bales. There is nothing of an official nature on which one can look forward to for a yield of 15,000,000 bales.

On the contrary, all the data available still points to a yield of less than 14,500,000 bales, perhaps not more than last year's 14,167,000 bales.

To November 14th of this year the quantity of cotton ginned was 10,434,000 bales compared with 10,300,000 to the corresponding date last year, an increase of only 134,000 bales over one year ago. In view of the high prices prevailing, it is probable that as large a crop as last year's was ginned by Nov. 14th of this year than was ginned to the corresponding date one year ago. Under the circumstances there does not seem to be any warrant for crop estimates of over 14,500,000 bales.

In the meanwhile the trade will await the issuance of the annual crop estimate of the government, due December 12th, which will report on the probable size of the actual growth, exclusive of linters, etc. Last year the government made a good estimate placing the growth at 13,820,000 bales. On the same date the census will report on quantity ginned to Dec. 1st.

Thus far this year there has been marketed of this crop 7,319,000 bales compared with 7,167,000 bales to the corresponding date of one year ago, and although the movement to market shows an excess of 152,000 bales over last year's arrivals, the world's visible supply of American cotton is 692,000 bales less than it was at this time one year ago—4,076,000 vs. 4,668,000.

It is claimed that the trade demand is not good this season, still we find that the spinners of the world have taken to date of American cotton 437,000 bales more than to even date last year—4,298,000 bales vs. 3,841,000 bales. The export movement continues large, since September 1st 3,868,000 against 3,836,000 one year ago, and we have reason to believe that shipments to foreign shores will continue heavy in the near future, as the stock on shipboard at all U. S. ports is very heavy, larger than at this time last season—148,000 vs. 329,000.

Private cables from Liverpool are to the effect that there is to be no short time in England this season, as spinners of Lancashire report good business for forward delivery. Liverpool's stock and float of all kinds is only 1,193,000 bales, last year 1,532,000, or 339,000 smaller than one year ago.

According to our deductions the United States will require more cotton than last season, Japan and Continental Europe about the same as one year ago, while England, owing to some falling off in the demand from India, will probably use a little less of American cotton this season. On the whole, however, it looks as if the world will need about 15,000,000 bales of American cotton this season, as last year's consumption by the world of American cotton was 14,903,000 bales.

Since the consumptive demand promises to be about 15,000,000 bales the size of the crop becomes the all important factor. If this crop should be less than 14,500,000 bales, as it promises to be, the market is apt to advance again to the previous high levels of the season.

EMMONS LURED BACK

TO MASSACHUSETTS FROM SALEM, NEW HAMPSHIRE SO THAT HE COULD BE ARRESTED

The details in the arrest of Herbert Emmons, the man whose case went on trial before Judge Enright in police court Saturday morning, have just leaked out and are of an amusing nature in some respects.

Emmons is charged with having gotten \$500 from C. I. Dodge of this city under false pretenses. Mr. Dodge went to Supt. Welch about the matter when he decided to swear out a warrant for Emmons' arrest and told the head of the local police department that Emmons was in Salem, N. H., and wanted to know just how it would be possible to encompass the arrest of the man he claims took him in to the tune of \$500. Dodge realized that the Lowell police could not make an arrest in New Hampshire.

It seems that previously Emmons had asked Mr. Dodge to try and dig up some purchasers of stock in a corporation in Salem. All of this was made known to Chief Welch and after a few minutes' thought that worthy sent for Inspector Walsh.

When the inspector put in an appearance the chief informed him that he was to go to Salem with Mr. Dodge in the latter's machine. Whether or not any further instructions were forthcoming at the time is not known, but the sleuth promptly got into his warmest clothing and departed with Mr. Dodge armed with a warrant for the arrest of Emmons.

The machine was driven to the mill in Salem at which the complainant felt certain Emmons would be found and Mr. Dodge entered the building leaving the officer bundled up to the ears in the tonneau of the car.

Mr. Dodge greeted Emmons very cordially and explained to him the object of the visit for rather the alleged object. Said the Lowell man: "Say, Emmons, I think that we have got another man who will go in with us and take some of these shares. I told him that we would meet him in Lawrence at the Needham Hotel, what do you think of it?"

Without stopping to take a look at the officer who calmly puffed a cigar in the rear seat of the machine, Emmons clambered aboard and the car was soon whizzing on its way into Massachusetts and into the jurisdiction of the local police court.

Not a stop was made until Lawrence was reached and then Inspector Walsh jumped into the limelight. Placing his hand upon the sleeve of the latter, he informed him of the facts of the case and wanted on a charge of larceny in Lowell and that he would have to go to the police station.

As soon as the Lawrence police station was reached Emmons telephoned for Lawyer J. P. S. Mahoney and the fireworks started as soon as the attorney arrived on the scene. The lawyer asserted at first that his client had been kidnapped from New Hampshire and protected against his arrest. Nevertheless, Emmons was later taken to the Lowell police station.

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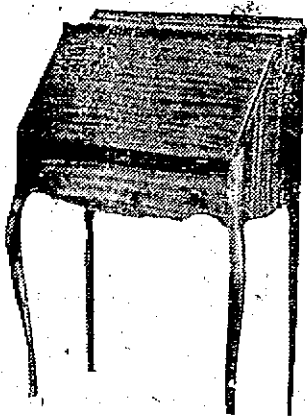
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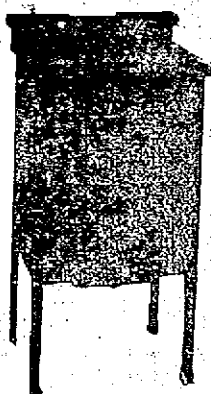
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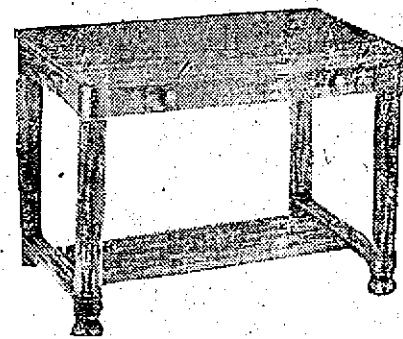
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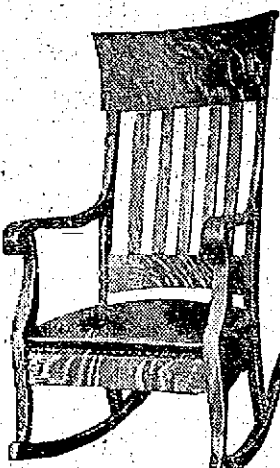
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REP. SULLIVAN DEAD

LEGISLATOR HAD LED PROTEST AGAINST EAST BOSTON TUNNEL TOLLS

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Representative Benjamin F. Sullivan of East Boston died at the City hospital yesterday from the effects of an operation performed about a week ago. He was taken ill at that time with an intestinal trouble. In the last election he was a candidate for governor's council but was defeated by Alexander McGregor. Overwork in connection with his campaign is given as the reason of his breakdown.

Representative Sullivan had always taken a great interest in East Boston affairs. He was one of those who favored the East Boston tunnel and at the time of his death was greatly interested in doing away with the extra toll of one cent, which he charged each person using it. His death occurred one year from the day he was arrested while making a test case as to the legality of the extra toll. The matter is still pending and the question will be on the ballot at the next city election.

He was born in East Boston, in 1875, and was a half brother to the late Senator Edward J. Mahoney and a brother to Representative Lewis R. Sullivan. He was in the real estate business, having for a partner former Councilman Frank A. Goodwin. He is survived by a wife and four children.

BILLERICA

The Protestant churches of Billerica, following the long-established custom, celebrated the Christmas festival yesterday with special musical services, both morning and evening. Most of the churches were appropriately decorated and the children took part in either the morning or evening service.

Rev. David Murphy officiated at both masses of St. Andrew's church yesterday. The Christmas services will be held on Christmas morning at 8 o'clock.

The Billerica public schools closed Friday for the Christmas recess and will reopen next Monday. The students of Mitchell's Military school were also given their annual Christmas vacation and nearly all of the boys left Saturday for their homes.

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The Red Cross Stamps are for sale at all the leading drug stores, Pollard's, Prince's, Judd's, Kittredge's, Hon. March's, Nelson's, Conway Transfer Co., and other places. The Red Cross Stamps thus sold are to benefit the movement against tuberculosis. The Lowell Guild is the local agency for the stamps and gets a percentage of the sales to be applied to its own work.

A Wisconsin tuberculosis enthusiast suggests a new fraternity, to be called the Order of the Double Cross, with the motto: "Give the double cross, the red cross, to tuberculosis." Member-ship dues should consist of a dollar's worth of Red Cross Stamps.

A number of Milwaukee men have pledged themselves as members.

George F. Lee Chosen
Parole Officer at the Middlesex County Training School—To Assume Duties on New Year's Day

In compliance with a vote taken last summer by the county commissioners, Supt. Rufus E. Corlew of the Middlesex County Training School of North Chelmsford, recently appointed George F. Lee parole officer for the institution. Mr. Lee is at present clerk in the office of the superintendent and will assume his new duties Jan. 1. The new parole officer will have as a

part of his duty to know where each boy goes when he leaves the school, what sort of a home he goes to or what sort of employment he secures, and what sort of conditions surround him, as well as looking after the welfare of the child.

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TOMS RIVER, N. J., Dec. 22.—Joseph Moriarty, also known as William J. Leehan, was acquitted by a jury Saturday on the charge of murdering Mrs. Caroline Turner, wife of a gardener at Lakewood.

The jury was out an hour and 10 minutes. Its verdict caused an uproar in the courtroom, which could not be quelled for two minutes.

The case of the prosecution, the defense, collapsed at last night's session, when witnesses for the prisoner testified that Moriarty had been at home all afternoon on the day of the murder.

One of the witnesses said that she had heard Mrs. Turner's voice shortly after 10 o'clock of the same evening, and that the woman had then been one of the occupants of an auto run into her yard and collided with a tree, lending color to the claim of the defense that Mrs. Turner had died as the result of an automobile accident or was the victim of violence at the hands of an automobile party.

Judge James Minton, in his charge to the jury, drew special attention to the testimony of Eli Goldberg, who said that Detective Jamison had told him that Moriarty had been arrested

for the crime in order that the reputation of the detective agency might be saved. He also pointed out that the agency had been employed to get evidence against a suspect.

Mrs. Turner, the state contended, was slain on the afternoon of April 24, 1911. She was last seen alive while entering the pine woods at the end of Lakewood's main street. Her body was found the next afternoon with the skull crushed. A seven-foot club lay nearby.

Moriarty, who left Lakewood not long after the crime was committed, was arrested on April 3 of this year at Fort Lee, N. J.

Shortly afterward Mrs. Jasper Lynch, a well-known society woman of Lakewood, began to interest herself in his case and engaged counsel for him. Mrs. Lynch attended every session of the trial. She said today she would make an effort to clear up the mystery.

Moriarty and his family will leave at once for Manchester, N. H., their former home.

The fact that Mrs. Jasper Lynch took an active part in the defense of Leehan was in itself a sensation, for Leehan is a poor self-confessed whiskey victim, and Mrs. Lynch, a noted beauty in her day, is the wife

of one of Lakewood's wealthiest residents, Jasper Lynch, a real estate operator. Mrs. Lynch had asserted all along that Leehan was innocent and paid his counsel fees and other expenses. In the illustration Mrs. Lynch is shown with the two lawyers who engaged for Leehan, Attorneys W. H. James and A. J. C. Stokes. Mrs. Brown, sister of the murdered woman was one of the chief witnesses for the state.

PRINDLE CASE

The Young Burglar May Have Had Accomplice in Lowell

It is now thought by the police authorities of this and other cities, that James W. Prindle, the 19-year-old burglar and desperado who was arrested by the Somerville police recently and who is wanted here for several breaks, had an accomplice in Lowell. This theory is being worked upon by the Lowell police and it is not at all unlikely that developments will sustain this theory.

When arraigned in the Somerville po-



JAMES W. PRINDLE

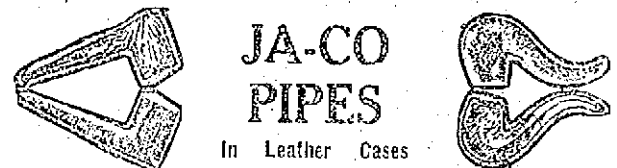
lice court Prindle pleaded guilty to robbing one house, the particular break where an impression was made of his fingers. In this case the police have absolute proof of his guilt but circumstantial evidence is all that can be offered in the others. Prindle was held in \$1000 and sent to the East Cambridge jail to await trial.

The girl arrested with Prindle, Bertha Eldridge, is at the Lowell jail awaiting trial next Friday. She is charged with being a low and lascivious character and will be brought up for examination at the juvenile session. It is hoped by the police that something further may be learned of Prindle's depredations from the girl when she realizes what kind of a life he has been living and what the penalty may be.

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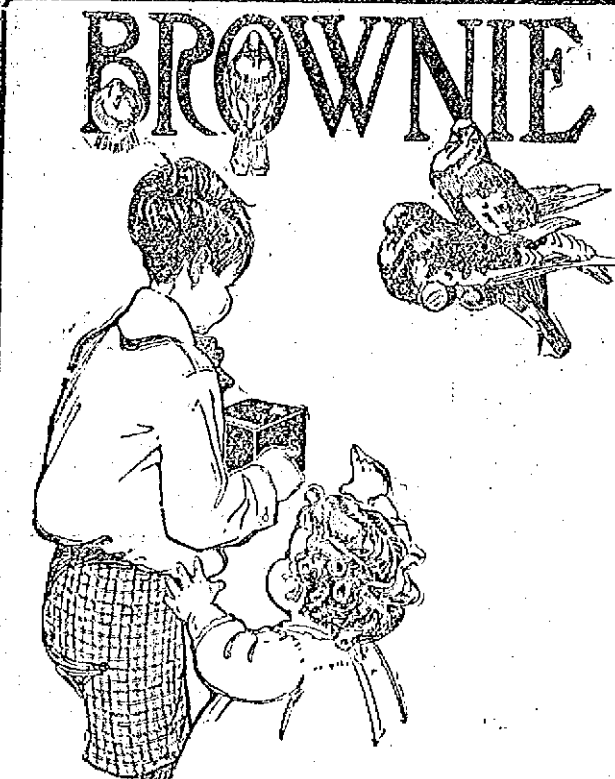
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And Run Over by Truck Owned President Says Other Corporations Are to Take Initiative in Reorganizations

Six-year-old Beatrice Lalanne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lalanne of 42 Lee street, was struck down at the corner of Pulge and John streets at 12:05 o'clock today by the auto truck owned and operated by Fred P. Vinal, the Drenon contractor. The little girl was thrown to the pavement and one of the front wheels passed over her body, spectators say. Mr. Vinal was driving at a very moderate rate of speed when the accident occurred as he was drawing up at the curbing in front of the high school annex on Pulge street, preparatory to stopping his engine while he went to luncheon. The child, according to those who witnessed the accident, stepped off the sidewalk into the street directly in front of the auto. Even with his engine throttled down to minimum speed Mr. Vinal found it

impossible to stop his machine in time to avoid striking the little girl but made an emergency stop within a few feet of where the accident occurred. The child was immediately picked up by a relative and hurried to her home before Mr. Vinal had an opportunity to carry her home in the machine. The victim of the accident was badly bruised on the left side of her face and her left hand is also probably broken. The child was badly shaken up as well as suffering from bruises on various parts of her body. Dr. Pillsbury was summoned to the Lalanne home and arrived there in a short time and dressed the child's injuries. **MINISTER DIES AT 64** WORCESTER, Dec. 22.—Rev. William A. Forbes, 64 years old, a retired Congregationalist minister died here today from paralysis. **LOOKING FOR LOBBY** WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Investigation to disclose whether a lobby exists to influence appropriations and legislation for the District of Columbia and business corporations of the city was proposed in a resolution today by Rep. Prouty of Iowa. **CONTAGIOUS HOSPITAL** FIRST SUGGESTED BY EX-MAYOR CASEY, BUT TURNED DOWN BY ALDERMEN



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Speaking about the proposed contagious hospital Alderman Cummings said that Hon. James E. Casey was the first man to mention a contagious hospital in Lowell. Mr. Cummings says that Mr. Casey, as a member of the common council over 13 years ago, submitted a proposition for a contagious hospital and that he and Mr. Casey went to Worcester at that time to secure information concerning such hospitals. He says that Mr. Casey submitted a report which was accepted in the council and turned down in the board of aldermen. Mr. Cummings says that if the report had not been held up the hospital would have been built a decade ago.

FUNERAL NOTICE
WOODWARD—The funeral of Merrill Woodward will take place Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his home in North Chelmsford. Friends invited. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

DEATHS
DOHERTY—Mrs. Mary Doherty, an old resident, died today at the Chelmsford street hospital, aged 73 years. She leaves one son, Frank Doherty. The body was taken to the chapel of J. P. O'Donnell & Sons.

ATWOOD—Died at the residence of her son, John Dargin in East Chelmsford, Dec. 22, Elvira Atwood, widow of George W. Atwood, aged 51 years, 6 months.

SHALLPOX ON WARSHIP
CHARLESTOWN, S. C., Dec. 22.—Two new cases of shallpox developed on the battleship Ohio on her way here from Guantanamo. All 100 crew were vaccinated on Dec. 16 and only four more days remain within the period of incubation. As the local quarantine station lacks facilities for handling the men ashore, the ship may be ordered to another port for fumigation.

LIVELY GRASS FIRE
A telephone alarm at 11:42 sent hose 4 out to Hanks street, where a grass fire was burning merrily in back of the Rogers Hall school. The flames were promptly smothered by the firemen, however, before any damage was done to the adjacent property.

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All marked down from \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00.

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FIGS, extra Turkey, lb	11c, 17c
MIXED NUTS, lb	14c

ORANGE PEEL, lb	15c
LEMON PEEL, lb	15c
CITRON, lb	15c
MINCE MEAT, pkg	6c
PLOM PUDDING, pkg	9c
POULTRY DRESSING, pkg	9c
FANCY RIBBON CANDY, in boxes, 2 lbs., for	23c

FANCY ASSORTED CHRISTMAS CANDY, lb 18c
OLD FASHIONED VANILLA CHOCOLATES, lb 17c
Special Old-Fashioned Chocolates in pound boxes 20c
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UNNECESSARY NOISES

Like a page out of an ideal set of community laws framed in some Arcadia, read the municipal regulations preventing unnecessary noises in German cities. To those of us who have lived long enough within the atmosphere of our multitudinous bells, whistles, gongs and myriad other noises, it seems impossible that the regulations of a city like Berlin can be lived up to with anything like the enjoyment or personal liberty. Anyone who causes a disturbance of public order in Germany is punishable by a fine or imprisonment and there are so many noises defined as being against the peace of the community that even a scolding wife must be often limited in her enjoyment of a right which every American suffragette will defend with her last breath. The owner of a barking dog or a crowing rooster is responsible in Germany before the law, and though there are a few indignant citizens who would gladly aid in putting such a regulation on the statute books, one can imagine what a burst of public laughter would greet an attempt to enforce the Berlin ordinances here.

In Berlin the law prohibits the playing of music, crying of wares by hucksters or newspaper-vendors, in the streets, unless permission is given by the police. Articles such as chains or other metal commodities must not be carried through the public thoroughfares unless they are so packed as to make no noise while in transport. Still more rigorous laws are coming to prohibit the playing of music in houses if it could be heard outside, the prevention of public carpet beating, and loud whistling or singing in the streets, and many other restrictions which seem exaggerated to us of Lowell who hear the electric cars go through Merrimack square with blood-curdling shrieks and to whom the putting in of a ton of coal is like a prelude to the day of judgment.

While it is vain to hope that for a century or so our people will go as far as Germany in the prohibiting of useless noises, there are many things that could be done without the necessity for any municipal regulations. There is little excuse for the playing of the anvil chorus by the milkman on the back step at 3 p. m. or the creaking of the cars mentioned before. One of our fire bells is almost directly in front of one of the largest hospitals in the city and the alarms rung there for years have caused suffering in those who may need sleep in order to live or others whose nerves are keenly alive to every rude shock. Probably in time fire bells will be done away with entirely and we may even see the usefulness of the shrieking whistles and brazen bells that now beat out the hours of labor. They have taken quite a little romance out of life in Berlin but somehow the reputation of the city for progressiveness and prosperity has not suffered in the least. In time the health and happiness of the people may be considered important enough here to warrant restrictions along the same lines. Let us hope so and then go out to buy some trumpets and drums for the juvenile population, which is the way such regulations are generally observed in this country. We have noise enough in the streets. Let us get ready to increase it in the home for a week or two. By the way, what alarm was that?

A CHARITY FUND

When appeals were sent throughout the country for those who had suffered in the great western floods last spring, the response was ready and generous—so much so that after the disaster has been remedied in a financial sense, almost \$60,000 remains unused in the hands of the governor of Indiana. Practically the same thing happened after the San Francisco earthquake, and though the distribution of charity at that time was not without its revelations of graft and mismanagement, quite a little money was returned to the sources from which it came. In the case of the surplus held by the governor of Indiana, many organizations and individuals have applied for a share of it, and there is a great deal of uncertainty as to what uses it should be applied.

At this time when the needs for charity are so urgent there are many splendid purposes to which this fund could be put, but the appropriateness of many methods of possible distribution may be questioned. This money, raised by public subscription, was sent to succor those who were made destitute in a calamity of a national character, and it should not be devoted to private charities. It could be turned over to the National Red Cross society with advantage, but it seems that even a more fitting purpose can be served.

In a country as large as ours we are certain from time to time to face great calamities due to the ravages of the elements such as flood, tornado or storms or the destitution and want that follows earthquake, fire, or other catastrophes. At such times appeals will be made to the public for financial aid, and it would seem most fitting that the surplus remaining from a response to one appeal should be held in readiness to aid another afflicted

portion of the people in the country. It is to be hoped that such an appeal will not come for a great many years, but even so, the \$60,000 left since the so-called Dayton floods will be all the more valuable. Private charities will be supported by the generous public as they have always been, but this money should be applied to the relief of those whose destitution is such as to appeal to the whole country, irrespective of sectional differences.

TRADE WITH CHINA

In "Business America," a magazine devoted to a discussion of domestic and foreign trade and commerce, Major John B. Jeffrey calls attention to the vast possibilities of future Chinese trade and the apathy towards it which prevails here—due mostly to a misunderstanding of real industrial conditions in China at the present time. Having recently returned from a long stay in Shanghai he is personally familiar with his subject and deals with it in a manner calculated to awaken widespread interest in the development of American trade with the great and growing nation of the Orient.

After summing up the results of modern awakening in this great country of 450,000,000 people Mr. Jeffrey says: "Its commercial possibilities seem almost illimitable." Its wealth is beyond computation; it is a nation of farmers, artisans and merchants. It has all the elements of a wealth producing country, especially abundance of raw material. The nations of Europe are fully aware of this and though America is the nearest neighbor of importance and regarded very favorably by Chinese of all classes, European merchants are getting most of the business. As an instance of American carelessness, Mr. Jeffrey says: "When I left Shanghai there were being used about seven hundred automobiles, and out of this number, just one was an American car, all others being of French and English make."

What is needed here is first of all a realization of what the China of today is. So speedily has been its rise that we do not realize that it has railroads and steamship lines, imposing public buildings, great manufacturing plants, electrically lighted streets, mammoth tunnels and other engineering feats of the first class; public libraries; museums; high class educational institutions, sound banks and modern commercial systems. There is a market there for almost everything we manufacture, and all that is needed is a spirit enterprising enough to investigate real conditions in China and wise enough to meet its people in fair dealing. "Americans should not be so blind to their own interests," says Mr. Jeffrey, "as to permit Europeans to control the field of this great trade."

DAYTON STILL EXPERIMENTING

The city of Dayton, O., is determined to get good and efficient government and while it approves of the commission form as originated by Des Moines and adopted by cities everywhere, Lowell included, it has decided to add to it another municipal employee who is to be known as city manager. Dayton has seen, as all sincere municipalities must see eventually, that no matter how earnest, competent, and desirable municipal employees are, they are very much hampered in their work by retarding influences among the electorate. To be effective for good much municipal activity should be outside the sphere of politics, and the appointing of a city manager tends in this end. As a city solicitor gives expert advice in matters of legal controversy the city manager will give expert advice on the ground of economy and efficiency. All commission governed cities will watch the Dayton experiment with interest.

DECORATE A LITTLE

The hanging of a fresh green wreath in the front window, tied with a bow of brilliant scarlet, does not necessitate a large expenditure of money or much waste of time and it means a great deal to all who go about in the joyous Christmas season of peace on earth and good will to men. Prosaic modernism gets bolder and bolder yearly in its onslaughts on all poetic usage, but while we are a Christian nation the time of Christmas will awaken thoughts that find expression in open manifestations of joy. As people hide miseries of soul under a smiling exterior, the pangs of many homes are hidden under a show of Christmas brightness. With a blinding fire, friendly remembrance, and a holy spray of wreath of evergreen in the lighted window, who can be pessimistic enough to doubt that somewhere there

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GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES

The momentous question of government ownership of the telephone system of the country is the most important matter brought to the attention of the public at the present time and though it is said to be strongly supported in congress it is receiving but scant support in the press. It is sponsored by Representative Lewis of Maryland, author of the Parcel Post act, which has been an undoubted benefit to the country. Possibly he sees more in the situation than people generally do, but there is a feeling that the government has not yet demonstrated efficiency enough in the postal department to warrant popular confidence concerning the venture.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

PAINFUL ABSURDITY

Boston Post: The progress of the Panhard movement grows from day to day in painful absurdity. Inside the halls there is foolish self-immolation by those who have been caught out, and those who have evaded the police indulge in malicious and inconsequent child's play.

CURRENCY BILL

Goston Herald: The democrats, entrusted with authority in house, senate and presidency, have now passed a currency bill. Our own Senator Weeks, with some misgivings, votes for it. This gives the business elements of this and other states ground for believing that perhaps the measure is worth having, at least as a basis for a comprehensive measure of currency reform far as the statute books. The passage of the bill bears substantial testimony to the capacity for leadership of Woodrow Wilson.

STILL AT HOME

Woonsocket Call: President Wilson's anger over the Carabao dinner incident should not be condemned without thought. We do not take it that Mr. Wilson felt personal offense was meant. If anybody was shot at in the dummy battleship parade it was the secretary of state, the cartoon ideas adopted from the chief newspaper enemy of the president and Mr. Bryan only on the secretary. Moreover, the order has specifically disclaimed that they have unintended, to show their animosity against the president's Philippines policy. If they resent any influence in the far east it is Mr. Bryan's.

MINING FATALITIES

Brookline Times: With mine rescue organization stronger than ever, and mine safety devices and laws for their application as near perfection as seemed possible, this year's coal mine tragedies have been unusually frequent and horrible, both in this country and abroad. Presumably, however, inevitable, but it is admitted that so far there is little hope that coal mining may have much less dangerous than it is at present.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Providence Tribune: We want the gifts that bring surprise and pleasure. The children should have toys and things appropriate to their tastes; and men and women should realize that the real Christmas spirit does not reduce itself to the giving of those utilitarian things which should be provided throughout the year. The best possible present for a relative or a friend is an article of luxury rather than necessity—something which represents thoughtfulness and a studied desire to surprise and please.

BRICK PAVEMENTS

Worcester Post: An object lesson in the proper grading of brick pavements was disclosed by the recent Ohio floods, says the Scientific American. The roadway was invaded by a small creek which rains had swelled to the proportions of a river. A stone retaining wall was wrecked and half the roadway washed out. The concrete base fell away in pieces, but the brick surface stands today as firmly as ever and capable of bearing the weight of an automobile. The unsupported portion of the brick is 30 feet in length and 7 feet in width. The road will be refilled and tamped laterally beneath the paving.

GEN. WILSON ILL

Civil War Veteran and
Writer in New York
Hospital

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Gen. James Grant Wilson, Civil war veteran and writer, is seriously ill in St. Luke's hospital, where he was taken three days ago. It was said there today that his condition was not considered critical at present.

Gen. Wilson, who is 82 years old, is president of the New York Genealogical and Biographical society. Since 1865 he has been engaged in literary work in this city. He was the author of many books, including the life of Gen. Grant, the Great Commanders Series and Bryant and His Friends. He was married in 1907 to Mrs. Mary H. Nicholson, widow of Admiral Nicholson.

GERALDINE FARRAR ILL

MELROSE SONG WRITER'S VOCAL CHORDS AFFECTED BY SEVERE COLD CAUGHT IN BOSTON

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Patrons of grand opera and friends of Miss Geraldine Farrar, who is a native of Melrose, have been much disturbed at reports of her serious illness, which have reached here from New York.

The fact that two of the most eminent throat specialists in the world have been attending her have raised the rumor that she was affected by a serious ailment, possibly affecting her voice.

William E. Walter of Boston, press agent for Charles H. Ellis of Boston, concert manager for Miss Farrar, last night declared she was suffering from relaxed vocal chords brought on by a cold she contracted in Boston on Nov. 1st.

CARD OF THANKS
The undersigned take this means of thanking all those who by their kindly acts and beautiful floral offerings helped to lighten the burden of grief in our dark hours, caused by the death of our beloved wife and mother.

Charles J. Gonnell and Family.

Seen and Heard

In addition to her passengers the Mauretania on her last trip carried five Pekinese dogs said to be worth \$10,000 which were cared for by a special attendant who had been hired for the occasion on account of his general air of good breeding. It was said. The champion breed of Pekinese are so sensitive, the attendant alleged, that they refuse chopped humming birds' liver and other delicacies when they are not prepared by a man of gentle birth.

Harvard square, about which student activities have centered for years is to be transformed. Harvard officials have been investigated with a view to making the college surroundings more beautiful.

Massachusetts avenue is to assume a Parisian boulevard effect by the alteration of the present old store and office building and the erection of arcades. Among the new structures planned are a theatre, a woman's college and a hotel. The proposed changes will cost \$3,000,000.

"Dear Mabel," he began, "do you love me?"
"Oh-h George!"
"Won't you, Mabel? Just a little tiny bit?"
"Well, y-e-s, George."
"And if I married you, would your father give us a separate establishment?"
"Yes, George."
"And take me into partnership?"
"Yes, George."
"And would your mother keep away from us, except when I invited her?"
"She would, George."
"And your brothers and sisters, too?"
"Why, certainly, George."
"And of course, the old gent would settle my debts?"
"Of course, George."
"And buy us an automobile and provide you with a handsome dowry?"
"Yes, George."
"Darling, will you marry me?"
"No, George!"

An old farmer in Missouri called at a roadside public house where he was well known. The landlady asked him to buy a ticket for a lottery they had on sale there.

"Well," he said, "I have nothing in my pocket, or I might."

"Oh, that's all right, John," she said, "take the ticket and pay for it any time."

Some time later John called again, and the landlady asked him if he knew who had won the lottery.

"No," he said, "I don't know."

"Well, I hardly durst tell you, but our Sam won. Wasn't he lucky?"

"Yes," said John, "he was lucky. And who was second, then?"

"I durst hardly tell you. Who would you think now?"

"I couldn't say," said John.

"Well it was our Sally. Wasn't she lucky?"

"And who was third?"

"Well," she said, "you would never guess and I might as well tell. I was third. Wasn't I lucky?"

"You were," he said. "Did I ever pay you for that ticket, missus?"

"No, John you didn't," she said, "bearing upon him."

"Well," said John, "ain't I lucky?"

Charles L. Simmon, a London advertising expert, was praising in New York the change that has come over the advertisement.

"In advertising, as in other things," he said, "it has been found that honesty pays, and today, throughout the world, the successful advertiser is modest and conservative in his statements."

"Advertising is no longer mistrusted. Things are no longer as they were, in Phatt's day."

You know Phatt, our 400-pound bookkeeper," said one man in the street to another.

"Yes. What of him?"

"Well, he saw an ad in the paper, 'Fat folks reduced; \$5,' and answered it."

"Did he get any reply?"

"Oh, yes; it was just as advertised."

"That's good. And how much was he reduced?"

"Why, just as the advertisement said, \$5."—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

Senator Clapp of Minnesota tells of the cross-examination of a Swede.

"Now, Jensen," asked the lawyer, "what do you do?"

"Tank you," replied the Swede, "Aw am not very well."

"I didn't ask you how your health was," said the lawyer, "but what you do?"

"Oh, yes, Aw see," said the fellow, his stolid countenance changing a trifle, "Aw work."

"Yes, I know that, but what kind of work do you do?"

"It's puddy hard work."

"Yes, but do you drive a team, or do you work on a railroad, or do you work in a factory?"

"Oh, yes, Aw work in a factory."

"Well, what kind of a factory is it?"

"It's a very big factory."

"The lawyer was much exasperated. "Now, see here, Jensen, tell us what you do in the factory. What do you make?"

"Oh, yes, Aw understand. You bane vat to know vat Aw make in the factory?"

"Exactly. Now, tell us what you make."

"Yes, Aw make von dollar and a half a day."—Herald's Magazine.

The Harvard Lampoon has the following:

1. Rudolph Rumble, crossing Harvard Bridge, saw an old man hat blow off in front of an auto. Running in front of the machine, Rudolph kicked the hat into the river, saving it from being crushed beneath the wheels.

2. Bobbie Butt noticed a young negro standing on the third story ledge of a building washing windows, and called to him to look out. The lad turned, fell and broke his leg. Had he not been warned he would have undoubtedly broken his neck.

3. Harry Wrinkle perceived an infant playing about the front steps of a large apartment house. He took the child to the police station and locked it up where the grateful mother found it three days later. The child might otherwise have strayed away, causing the parents hours of needless anxiety.

4. Willie Wobble noticed a grocery house standing beside the curb, perspiring freely. He unlatched the animal, let it mount and gave it a cool which-hazel sponge bath, followed by a good meal of mashed potatoes. The owner may get his horse by going out to Willie's house in South Weymouth.

5. Clarence God saw an elderly lady about to step on the hem of her dress at the entrance of the subway. Rushing to her, he pushed her over on her back, thereby, in all probability, saving her a nasty fall downstairs.

6. Pireddo Phatt perceived a laborer sitting on an idle straw snicker in a pipe. With great prospect of mind he selected a bucket of water and poured it down both the man and the straw, thus allowing the honest fellow to enjoy his pipe without further risk of fire.

PUTNAM & SON CO.

166 CENTRAL STREET

Boys' Overcoats
Marked Down

Makes Christmas Giving Easy

Our Entire Stock of Boys' Overcoats Marked Down Now to January Sale Prices

Overcoats for large boys, for small boys, for little girls and young women—

OVERCOATS—FOR SMALL BOYS, AGES 3 TO 10 YEARS—AND FOR GIRLS

Russian and Belt Overcoats—In stylish Scotch effects and solid colors—sold for \$3.50 and \$4.00

2.50

Full Belt Overcoats—In chinchilla and fancy overcoatings, all new and very smart styles, sold for \$5.00 and \$6.00

3.50

Full Belt Overcoats—Very handsome Scotch coatings and chinchillas from one of our best manufacturers—sold for \$7.00 and \$8.00

5.00

All of Our Finest Overcoats—Chinchillas and Scotch coatings, made with full belts, some with plaited backs—sold for \$10.00 and \$11.00

7.50

VERY SMART OVERCOATS FOR BOYS 10 TO 18, AND FOR YOUNG WOMEN

30 Overcoats—With belts or without cut on the full boxy patterns that the boy demands—stylish effects in Scotch overcoatings—capitally tailored, and the greatest bargain we ever advertised—ages 10 to 17 years—sold up to \$7.00

4.00

50 Belted Overcoats—Sizes 11 years to 18, single and double breast—made from novelty overcoatings and smart Scotch coatings—sold for \$8 and \$9

5.50

43 Chinchilla and Scotch Overcoats—Made with full belts or half belts or split sleeve and cuffs, extremely stylish garments—sold for \$14.00 and \$15.00

10.00

All of Our Finest Overcoats—Made by Rogers Peet Co. and other special manufacturers—the choicest garments we have ever shown—chinchilla and Scotch coatings—sold for \$17, \$18 and \$20

12.50

399 WERE KILLED

Casualties Caused by
Persons Walking Along
Railroad Tracks

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—A way in which Boy Scouts may be of great assistance in minimizing railroad casualties is suggested in a letter from Jas. Ren, president of the Pennsylvania railroad, to Colin Livingstone of this city, president of the National Council of Boy Scouts of America.

Mr. Ren points out that 399 trespass-

ers were killed on the lines of the Pennsylvania system during a period of six years and he urges the scouts to be of value to communities wherein they are organized in influencing and warning persons of the liability taken in walking along railroad tracks.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

The VANDERBILT HOTEL

34 ST. EAST AT PARK AVE., NEW YORK.

"An hotel of distinction with moderate charges"

Within five minutes of principal railway terminals. Situation ideal.

TARIFF:

Single rooms \$3.00, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00, \$9.00, \$10.00, \$11.00, \$12.00, \$13.00, \$14.00, \$15.00, \$16.00, \$17.00, \$18.00, \$19.00, \$20.00, \$21.00, \$22.00, \$23.00, \$24.00, \$25.00, \$26.00, \$27.00, \$28.00, \$29.00, \$30.00, \$31.00, \$32.00, \$33.00, \$34.00, \$35.00, \$36.00, \$37.00, \$38.00, \$39.00, \$40.00, \$41.00, \$42.00, \$43.00, \$44.00, \$45.00, \$46.00, \$47.00, \$48.00, \$49.00, \$50.00, \$51.00, \$52.00, \$53.00, \$54.00, \$55.00, \$56.00, \$57.00, \$58.00, \$59.00, \$60.00, \$61.00, \$62.00, \$63.00, \$64.00, \$65.00, \$66.00, \$67.00, \$68.00, \$69.00, \$70.00, \$71.00, \$72.00, \$73.00, \$74.00, \$75.00, \$76.00, \$77.00, \$78.00, \$79.00, \$80.00, \$81.00, \$82.00, \$83.00, \$84.00, \$85.00, \$86.00, \$87.00, \$88.00, \$89.00, \$90.00, \$91.00, \$92.00, \$93.00, \$94.00, \$95.00, \$96.00, \$97.00, \$98.00, \$99.00, \$100.00, \$101.00, \$102.00, \$103.00, \$104.00, \$105.00, \$106.00, \$107.00, \$108.00, \$109.00, \$110.00, \$111.00, \$112.00, \$113.00, \$114.00, \$115.00, \$116.00, \$117.00, \$118.00, \$119.00, \$120.00, \$121.00, \$122.00, \$123.00, \$124.00, \$125.00, \$126.00, \$127.00, \$128.00, \$129.00, \$130.00, \$131.00, \$132.00, \$133.00, \$134.00, \$135.00, \$136.00, \$137.00, \$138.00, \$139.00, \$140.00, \$141.00, \$142.00, \$143.00, \$144.00, \$145.00, \$146.00, \$147.00, \$148.00, \$149.00, \$150.00, \$151.00, \$152.00, \$153.00, \$154.00, \$155.00, \$156.00, \$157.00, \$158.00, \$159.00, \$160.00, \$161.00, \$162.00, \$163.00, \$164.00, \$165.00, \$166.00, \$167.00, \$168.00, \$169.00, \$170.00, \$171.00, \$172.00, \$173.00, \$174.00, \$175.00, \$176.00, \$177.00, \$178.00, \$179.00, \$180.00, \$181.00, \$182.00, \$183.00, \$184.00, \$185.00, \$186.00, \$187.00, \$188.00, \$189.00, \$190.00, \$191.00, \$192.00, \$193.00, \$194.00, \$195.00, \$196.00, \$197.00, \$198.00, \$199.00, \$200.00, \$201.00, \$202.00, \$203.00, \$204.00, \$205.00, \$206.00, \$207.00, \$208.00, \$209.00, \$210.00, \$211.00, \$212.00, \$213.00, \$214.00, \$215.00, \$216.00, \$217.00, \$218.00, \$219.00, \$220.00, \$221.00, \$222.00, \$223.00, \$224.00, \$225.00, \$226.00, \$227.00, \$228.00, \$229.00, \$230.00, \$231.00, \$232.00, \$233.00, \$234.00, \$235.00, \$236.00, \$237.00, \$238.00, \$239.00, \$240.00, \$241.00, \$242.00, \$243.00, \$244.00, \$245.00, \$246.00, \$247.00, \$248.00, \$249.00, \$250.00, \$251.00, \$252.00, \$253.00, \$254.00, \$255.00, \$256.00, \$257.00, \$258.00, \$259.00, \$260.00, \$261.00, \$262.00, \$263.00, \$264.00, \$265.00, \$266.00, \$267.00, \$268.00, \$269.00, \$270.00, \$271.00, \$272.00, \$273.00, \$274.00, \$275.00, \$276.00, \$277.00, \$278.00, \$279.00, \$280.00, \$281.00, \$282.00, \$283.00, \$284.00, \$285.00, \$286.00, \$287.00, \$288.00, \$289.00, \$290.00, \$291.00, \$292.00, \$293.00, \$294.00, \$295.00, \$296.00, \$297.00, \$298.00, \$299.00, \$300.00, \$301.00, \$302.00, \$303.00, \$304.00, \$305.00, \$306.00, \$307.00, \$308.00, \$309.00, \$310.00, \$311.00, \$312.00, \$313.00, \$314.00, \$315.00, \$316.00, \$317.00, \$318.00, \$319.00, \$320.00, \$321.00, \$322.00, \$323.00, \$324.00, \$325.00, \$326.00, \$327.00, \$328.00, \$329.00, \$330.00, \$331.00, \$332.00, \$333.00, \$334.00, \$335.00, \$336.00, \$337.00, \$338.00, \$339.00, \$340.00, \$341.00, \$342.00, \$343.00, \$344.00, \$345.00, \$346.00, \$347.00, \$348.00, \$349.00, \$350.00, \$351.00, \$352.00, \$353.00, \$354.00, \$355.00, \$356.00, \$357.00, \$358.00, \$359.00, \$360.00, \$361.00, \$362.00, \$363.00, \$364.00, \$365.00, \$366.00, \$367.00, \$368.00, \$369.00, \$370.00, \$371.00, \$372.00, \$373.00, \$374.00, \$375.00, \$376.00, \$377.00, \$378.00, \$379.00, \$380.00, \$381.00, \$382.00, \$383.00, \$384.00, \$385.00, \$386.00, \$387.00, \$388.00, \$389.00, \$390.00, \$391.00, \$392.00, \$393.00, \$394.00, \$395.00, \$396.00, \$397.00, \$398.00, \$399.00, \$400.00, \$401.00, \$402.00, \$403.00, \$404.00, \$405.00, \$406.00, \$407.00, \$408.00, \$409.00, \$410.00, \$411.00, \$412.00, \$413.00, \$414.00, \$415.00, \$416.00, \$417.00, \$418.00, \$419.00, \$420.00, \$421.00, \$422.00, \$423.00, \$424.00, \$425.00, \$426.00, \$427.00, \$428.00, \$429.00, \$430.00, \$431.00, \$432.00, \$433.00, \$434.00, \$435.00, \$436.00, \$437.00, \$438.00, \$439.00, \$440.00, \$441.00, \$442.00, \$443.00, \$444.00, \$445.00, \$446.00, \$447.00, \$448.00, \$449.00, \$450.00, \$451.00, \$452.00, \$453.00, \$454.00, \$455.00, \$456.00, \$457.00, \$458.00, \$459.00, \$460.00, \$461.00, \$462.00, \$463.00, \$464.00, \$465.00, \$466.00, \$467.00, \$468.00, \$469.00, \$470.00, \$471.00, \$472.00, \$473.00, \$474.00, \$475.00, \$476.00, \$477.00, \$478.00, \$479.00, \$480.00, \$481.00, \$482.00, \$483.00, \$484.00, \$485.00, \$486.00, \$487.00, \$488.00, \$489.00, \$490.00

THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Was Made Manifest in Churches Yesterday—Children Had Large Part in the Special Exercises

Elaborate musical programs, inspiring sermons, large congregations and beautiful decorations were the order of the day in Protestant churches throughout the city yesterday. There was full measure of Christmas sentiment and the spirit of the glad season was everywhere. The children had a great deal to do with the special exercises and in many instances children's festivals were substituted for the usual evening service.

Pawtucket Church
The choir at the Pawtucket church gave a fine musical program. The church had been attractively decorated by the Campfire girls. In the evening the church was filled for the Sunday school concert under the direction of Supt. George B. Tanner and his assistants. The various exercises were unusually well done and the singing by the children was excellent. The Alston Civil class of young men also gave a hymn with a fine volume of tone.

Elliot Congregational
The Sunday school concert at the Elliot church yesterday was well attended. The exercises consisted of Christmas hymns by the school; a solo by Miss Jennie Hume; recitations by Alfred Bedell and Edward E. Holden; exercises by the classes of Miss Elsie, Mrs. Hardy and Miss Frisbie; and songs and recitations by members of the primary department. In charge of Miss Martha Marrow. Merton Flemings read the Scripture lesson, and the pastor, Rev. H. A. Barker, closed the service with a Christmas story.

Central M. E. Church
As a special Christmas feature in connection with the evening service at the Central M. E. church yesterday, the beautiful cantata, "The Universal King," was given by the church choir, the reader being Miss Lydia Birchall.

High Street Church
The musical part of the service at High Street church was made up entirely of selections from the compositions of Edward E. Adams, the choir director. The pastor, Rev. Allan Conant Fenner, preached on "The Christmas Settlement."

First Unitarian
At the First Unitarian church, the quartet sang the following Christmas music: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," Warren; and "While Shepherds Watched," Bartlett; and the Christmas carol, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Berwald. Rev. Charles T. Billings preached on "Our Debt to Jesus of Nazareth."

After the morning service the children of the Sunday school marched in procession to the yuletide, where a special service was held for them, with Christmas songs and an address by the pastor.

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Christmas cantata, "The Hope of the World." Besides this, a program of songs and recitations was given by the members of the Sunday school. The concert was given under the direction of Mrs. Georgia Libby Dutton. Messrs. Walter Chase and Leon Brown had charge of the decorations.

First Presbyterian
"In Quest of the King," a sacred cantata, was sung at the First Presbyterian church, last evening, by the chorus choir of the church, under the direction of John M. Brown. The chorus numbered 40 persons. Mabel J. Roseman supplied the text and the music was by Meredith and Peace. Mrs. Charles Lowley was the reader, who supplied the verses for the cantata. The soloists were: Mrs. William Dooley, soprano; Miss Isabel MacAdams, mezzo-soprano; Miss Isabel Mohr, contralto; Robert Huston, baritone, and John M. Brown, tenor. The organist was Miss Minnie Tucker.

French Baptist Church
Appropriate Christmas exercises were held yesterday at the French Baptist church, in West Centralville. At the morning service at 10:30 o'clock, Rev. C. C. Hamette, pastor of the church, delivered a sermon, "The Sage de Noel." A collection was taken among the parishioners for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. fund. The program of special singing at this service consisted of a Christmas selection, "Bethlehem," by Mrs. Wilfrid Maynard; a violin selection by Miss Marguerite Gamette; and a trio number by Mrs. Wilfrid Maynard, Miss Minnie Gamette and Edouard Desforges.

Grace Universalist
At the Grace church a large congregation in the morning listened to a program of Christmas anthems. The organ was supplemented by the Germania orchestra, and the quartet, under the direction of George Burns, furnished an admirable musical setting for the sermon by Rev. C. R. Skinner on "The Christmas Transformation." The decorations about the pulpit were in excellent taste. At 4:30 in the afternoon the vestry of the church was filled to listen to a concert program given by the children.

Highland Methodist
At both morning and evening services yesterday, music appropriate to Christmas was sung at the Highland M. E. church, with large congregations attending. The church was decorated with evergreen and holly, emphasizing the spirit of the occasion. The children of the Sunday school contributed largely to the evening service.

First Congregational
The decorations at the First Congregational church were of Christmas trees, wreaths and cut flowers. The pastor, Rev. Edward H. Newcomb, preached on "The First Christmas Service," and there was special Christmas music by the choir.

Highland Congregational
Large congregations attended both the morning and evening services at the Highland Congregational church. Evergreen and holly were most effectively used in the decorations. At the evening service the congregation sang Christmas carols and a fine program of anthems was given by the choir. Rev. Mr. Dannels preached a sermon appropriate to the occasion.

Gorham Street Methodist
Christmas services were held at the Gorham Street P. M. church yesterday morning and evening. The church was prettily decorated for the occasion and both services were well attended. At the morning service, the pastor, Rev. N. W. Matthews, preached an instructive sermon, his text being, "What the Shepherds Found." The music was as follows: Prelude, "Gloria," from Mozart's twelfth mass, by J. E. Leitch, organist; anthem, "A Wake, Put on Thy Strength," J. S. Fearis, by the choir under the direction of Joseph Wilmot; duet, "The Lord's Anointed," Messrs. Joseph Wilmot and N. W. Matthews, Jr. The usual Christmas hymns were heartily sung by the choir and congregation.

Worthington Street Baptist
At the Worthington Street Baptist church last evening, the annual Christmas exercises by the members of the Sunday school attracted a large congregation. The several numbers were well received, especially those by the junior members of the school. The decorations about the platform and pulpit were in keeping with the Christmas season. The pastor's topic for the evening was "The Spirit of Christmas."

Rep. Bartholdt of St. Louis to Retire When Present Term Expires

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Rep. Bartholdt of St. Louis, who has represented the tenth Missouri district in the house for 22 years, has issued a statement saying he will not be a candidate for re-election when his term expires in 1915. Only two other members of the house, Representative Payne of New York and Jones of Virginia, have longer service. Mr. Bartholdt expects to work for universal peace.

FUNERAL NOTICES

KELLEHER—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Kelleher will take place tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from her home, 123 High street. At 9:30 a high mass of requiem will be sung at the Immaculate Conception church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of J. P. O'Donnell & Sons.

SULLIVAN—The funeral of John J. Sullivan will take place Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock from his home, 74 White street. At 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Columba's church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery, in charge of J. P. O'Donnell & Sons.

WEBSTER—The funeral of Mrs. A. Webster will take place Wednesday morning at 8:15 o'clock from her late home, 151 Caburn street. High mass of requiem at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery, in charge of Funeral Director James W. McKenna.

PITCHER IN PULPIT
KANSAS CITY, Dec. 22.—"Well, boys, I'm not used to pitching out of a box like this," Eugene Packard, left-hander twirler for the Cincinnati, said when he substituted for the pastor at the Oakhurst Methodist church here last night. Packard, who lives in Kansas City, occupied the pulpit at a gathering to interest young men in an anti-saloon campaign.

"You boys may have some idea about baseball," Packard said. "I know I did. You boys may never be major leaguers but if you have an ideal in life and a determination to leave liquor and cigars alone you'll be a success in 'some business.'"

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Men's Sample Slippers at \$1.25—Regular prices \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.
Men's \$1.50 Slippers at 98c—Black and tan, Opera, Everette and Romeo style. All leathers.
Men's 75c Slippers at 49c—Black and tan leathers. All sizes.
Boys' \$1.50 Moccasins at \$1.25—Tan soft elk skin; hand sewed.
Boys' 50c Slippers at 39c—Black and tan leathers. All sizes.
Ladies' \$1.50 E. Z. Slippers at 98c—Soft felt slippers, cushion sole; plain and fancy colors.
Ladies' \$1.00 to \$1.50 Slippers at 59c—Felt Juliette, fur or ribbon trimmed, in red, black, brown, blue, wine and green.
Ladies' 75c to \$1.00 Slippers at 55c—Felt slippers, in plain and fancy colors, fur or ribbon trimmed.
Girls' 75c Slippers at 49c—Red and gray felt slippers, fur or fancy felt trimmed; sizes 5 to 13.
Girls' 50c Slippers at 29c—Crocheted slippers, in red, blue, pink and blue.

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Blanket Robes of fancy colored double-faced materials; collar, cuffs and pockets trimmed with satin to match. Attractive combinations of all colors \$4.49 and \$4.98
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Wool Booties 10c to 75c
Worsted Socks 24c to 98c
Silk Hose 24c
Infants' Short White Dresses, 24c to \$1.98
Worsted Sweaters, all colors, 24c to \$1.98
Cashmere Sacques 24c to 98c
Angora Bonnets \$1.49 to \$1.98
Infants' White Curls, long and short, \$1.98 to \$4.98
Children's Angora Mittens 58c
Children's White Mittens 24c

GIFT ART GOODS

Battenberg Table Covers, small and large 49c to \$1.98
Battenberg Scarfs 49c to \$1.49
Bureau Scarfs and Table Covers, linen, 49c to 53c

GIFT LEATHER GOODS

Women's Morocco Hand Bags, 49c and 98c
Women's Hand Bags, pin seal leather, 98c to \$1.98
Imported Novelty Beaded Bags, 98c to \$1.98
Silk Mohr Bags, navy, black, brown, 98c to \$1.49
Children's Fancy Beaded Bags, 24c
Children's Hand Bags, leather, in all colors 24c to 49c

GIFT HOSIERY

Women's Silk Hosiery, black, white and fancy colors 49c to 98c
Women's Fine Cashmere Hosiery 39c and 49c
Children's Fine Mercerized Hosiery, all colors 24c
Children's 2-in-2 Ribbed Hosiery, black, 24c
Children's Fine Cashmere Hosiery, all colors 24c

FANCY COMBS

Comb Sets, back and side, dark and amber 49c and 98c Set
Barrettes in black, gray and amber, 9c to 49c
Fancy Back Combs with brilliants, 49c and 98c
Infants' Toilet Sets, blue, pink and white, ivory back 24c and 49c

MEN'S FURNISHING DEPT.

Men's Negligee Shirts, 48c, 69c, 98c, \$1.50
Men's Flannel Shirts, khaki, gray and blue 98c, \$1.48, \$1.98
Men's Pajamas, seiseite, chevrot and flannelette 79c, \$1.00, \$1.50
Men's Night Shirts, flannelette, drill, 48c, 69c, 98c
Men's Arm Bands, in fancy boxes, 10c, 17c
Combination Sets—Arm Bands and Garters 25c, 48c, 75c, \$1.00
Combination Sets—Jewelry and Tie, \$1.00
Combination Sets—Tie, Hose, Handkerchiefs 48c, \$1.00
Combination Sets—Delt and Garters, 48c, \$1.00
Combination Sets—Cuffs, Buttons and Pin 25c, 48c
Men's Kid Gloves, lined and unlined, 79c, 98c, \$1.15, \$1.50
Men's Sweaters, ruff and V neck, all colors, 48c, 98c, \$1.08, \$2.98, \$3.98, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00.
Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas, mission and fancy handles, 48c, 69c, 98c, \$1.50, \$2.00
Men's Cane Umbrellas \$5.00
Men's Pure Irish Linen Initial Handkerchiefs 12/20, 25c
Men's Initial Handkerchiefs, 4 for 25c and 3 for 25c
Men's Initial Handkerchiefs in fancy boxes, 6 in a box, for 50c
Men's Pure Irish Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, in fancy boxes, 6 in a box, for 75c
Men's Handkerchiefs 5c, 6 for 25c
Men's Jersey Ribbed Underwear, 35c, 48c
Men's Wool Underwear, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.50
Men's Union Suits 69c, 98c
Men's Silk Half Hose, all colors, 25c and 50c
Men's Wool Half Hose, all colors, 12/20, 24c, 48c
Men's Cotton Half Hose, all colors, 7c, 10c, 12/20
Men's Neckwear—Four-in-Hands 24c, 35c, 48c, 65c
Button-on Tecks 10c, 24c, 48c
Band Tecks 24c, 48c
Bow Ties 10c, 3 for 25c, and 25c
Men's Fur Caps \$1.00, \$2.00
Men's Golf Caps, 25c, 35c, 48c, 69c, \$1.00
Men's Soft Felt Hats, 98c, \$1.48, \$1.98, \$3.00
Men's Velour Hats \$1.98, \$3.00
Arrow Brand Collars, 2 for 25c, \$1.50 Box

GIFT HANDKERCHIEFS

Ladies' All Linen Handkerchiefs, in boxes, 6 for 50c, 6 for 75c, 6 for 98c
Ladies' All Linen Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 6 styles in a box 98c
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, Longfellow Initial, 3 in box, for 25c Box
Children's Plain and Fancy Handkerchiefs, colored embroidered, 3 in box 25c
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, corner embroidered 12/20, 25c and 75c

GIFT APRONS

Fancy Tea Aprons, all styles, 24c, 49c, 55c, 75c, 98c
Fancy Sewing Aprons 24c and 49c
White Skirt Aprons 24c and 49c
Maids' and Waitresses Aprons, 24c and 49c
Gingham and Percale Kimona Aprons, 49c

GIFT MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

Night Gowns, of all styles and qualities, Christmas box 49c to \$1.98
Combinations to match gowns, 49c to \$1.98
Princess Slips, fine nainsook, 98c to \$1.49
Chemises made of nainsook 98c
Corset Covers, large assortment, 24c to 98c
Ladies' Cotton Drawers, hamburger ruff, 24c and 49c
Knitted Petticoats, gray, unbleached and black 49c to 98c
Flannelette Petticoats, best quality, 24c and 49c
Flannelette Night Gowns 49c to 98c
Dressing Sacques, flannelette, 49c, 75c
All in Fancy Christmas Boxes

GIFT DOLLS

Largest assortment in Dress Dolls, Kid Body, Campbell and Fancy Dolls, 24c to \$2.50

GIFT JEWELRY

Pearl Beads, also Gold Neck Beads, 10c, 24c and 49c
Fancy Pendants, large assortment, 24c and 49c
Scarf Pins and Baby Pins 9c to 49c
Silver Coin and Vanity Purses, 24c to \$1.49
Silver Mesh Bags, safety lock, 49c to \$1.49
Long Silver Vanity Purses, at 98c

GIFT WAISTS and NECKWEAR

Ladies' Lingerie and Voile Waists, 98c to \$3.00
Ladies' Silk Waists \$1.98 to \$5.00
Ladies' Net Waists \$1.98 to \$5.00
Misses' Sweaters 98c to \$6.00
Ladies' Sweaters \$1.98 to \$6.00
Ladies' Silk Quilted Vests \$1.48
Ladies' Petticoats 49c to \$3.00
Ladies' Neckwear 25c to \$3.00
Ladies' Belts 25c to \$1.50
Ladies' Raincoats \$1.98 to \$3.00
Children's Raincoats 98c to \$1.98
Children's Raincoats and Hats \$3.98
Children's Fur 98c to \$6.00
Furs—Separate Muffs \$1.98 up
Separate Neckpieces \$2.98 up
Sets \$5.98 up

BOYS' FURNISHINGS

Boys' Negligee Shirts 35c, 48c
Boys' Sweaters, 48c, 98c, \$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.98
Boys' Suspenders 10c, 15c, 25c
Boys' Winter Caps 25c, 45c
Boys' Hockey Caps in all the new colors 25c, 45c
Boys' Kid Gloves, lined or unlined, 48c, 75c, 98c
Boys' Heavy Leather Gloves, 10c, 25c, 48c
Boys' Wool Gloves 25c, 48c
Boys' Bow Ties 10c
Boys' Four-in-Hand Ties, 10c, 12/20, 24c
Boys' Windsor Ties 25c
Boys' Union Suits 35c, 48c
Boys' Jersey and Fleeco Lined Underwear 24c, 45c
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BRITISH ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Foster Stackhouse, who is organizing the British Antarctic expedition for next year, says 16 peers are among the 4800 applicants for places on the expedition, one peer being so eager to join that he has offered to become cook's "boy" if there is no other position for him.

PRES. VAIL TALKS REBEL CONTROL

Says Dissolution of the Phone Trust Will Not Cause Reorganization

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—When the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. and when the Western Union company reach the parting of the ways, as provided for under the agreement reached with Attorney General McReynolds, there will not be the slightest need for the reorganization of the organization of either concern, according to a statement made by President Theodore Vail of the telephone company.

"We built up the mutual interests of the American company and the Western Union in such a way," Mr. Vail said, "that we did not encounter ourselves with an organization that would have to be broken up in case the companies should withdraw from the arrangement. In other words the organization of each concern was rigidly maintained and preserved and when they draw apart each will carry with it as perfect an organization as when the two entered into mutual relations."

The officials of the Western Union company are: Theodore N. Vail, president; Newcomb Carlton, vice president; William Baker, secretary, and A. R. Brainerd, treasurer.

With the exception of Mr. Vail none of these men is an officer of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

KILLED BY HIS OWN TEAM
CROMPTON, R. I., Dec. 22.—Peter Brouillard, a teamster, was run over by his own team today and killed. While passing over a railroad crossing he was thrown from his seat under the wheels of the heavy truck, causing almost instant death. He was 50 years old.

XMAS Hardware Hints

Pocket Knives... 10c to \$1.50
Scissors and Shears, 10c to \$1.00

Carving Sets, \$1.25 to \$5.00
Silver Plated Knives and Forks, \$2.50, \$3.50

Set of 12 pieces.
White Handled Knives and Forks, \$3.00, \$5.00

Set of 12 pieces
Safety Razors in variety, \$1 to \$5

Safety Razor Blades, 5c, 10c
Razors, \$1, \$1.50, \$2.50

Strops, 25c to \$1.00
"Pike Comb, Strop and Bone, \$1.00

Shaving Soap, per cake 10c
Shaving Powder, can, 25c

Watches, \$1, \$1.50, \$2
Sportsman's Tool Kit \$1.50

Thermometers, wood, glass, tin.
Food Choppers (Universal) 85c to \$5.00

X-Press Cars, \$1 to \$5
Flexible Steering Sleds, 90c to \$2.50

Nail Hammers, 25c up
Screw Drivers, 10c up

Saws, 50c up
Wrenches, 20c up

Hand Drills, \$1.25 up
Hockey Sticks, 10c to 35c

Skate Straps, 15c pair
Ice Creepers, 10c to 35c

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THE PHONE TRUST

Fight of Clarence Mackay Brought About Dissolution

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The principal reason that the president has decided not to recommend government ownership of wires is found in an agreement reached by the American



THEODORE N. VAIL, 2. CLARENCE MACKAY

Telephone and Telegraph company, commonly called the "telephone trust," through its vice president, N. C. Kingsbury, and Attorney-General McReynolds. Here are the terms of the agreement in brief: (1) The company is to dispose of its holdings of stock in the Western Union Telegraph company; (2) it is not to acquire control over any other telephone line in the future; (3) it is to allow independent telephone companies of the country the use of its interstate wires. Pres. Theodore N. Vail of the American Telephone and Telegraph company believes the new plan will work out successfully. The fight of Clarence Mackay, head of the Postal Telegraph company, brought about the dissolution of the trust more than any other cause, it is stated here.

GIVE \$8,000,000

Charitable Gifts and Donations in U. S. During Last 12 Months

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Charitable gifts and donations to educational institutions in the United States during the last 12 months amount to over \$8,000,000, or at the rate of \$2.91 for every tick of the clock, according to a compilation published here today. The bequest of Benjamin Altman, valued at \$16,000,000, to the Metropolitan museum of New York, heads the list and the gift of \$10,000,000 by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to put an end to "white slavery" is second. Colonel O. P. Palm's gift of \$4,350,000 to Cornell comes next in size and is followed by E. S. Thompson's gift of \$3,665,000 to Princeton university. Andrew Carnegie's 15 donations aggregated \$3,533,000 and the next largest gift was \$3,000,000, the sum given to Washington and Lee university by Robert P. Doremus.

NOT GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Secretary Garrison has learned informally that Attorney General McReynolds probably will rule that John Burke, manager of the commissary department of the Panama railroad, whose transactions are under investigation, is an employee of a private corporation and not a government official. Such a ruling means that if the charges that Burke accepted gratuities from some contractors from whom commissary supplies were bought should be sustained Burke can be proceeded against civilly by the Panama railroad.

Meanwhile the investigation of Burke's dealings with contractors is being pushed by the isthmian canal commission.

WATCH FOR MEXICAN GENERAL
PRESIDIO, Texas, Dec. 22.—United States troops patrolling the border are watching today for General Salvador Merced, deposed commander of the Mexican federal troops who was reported to have crossed over to the American side from Ojinaga, possibly with a view of making his way to Mexico City. It was not believed Merced would be arrested should he be found in this country as he was said to have traveled as a civilian.

NAT. SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION
CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Medill McCormick of Chicago has accepted the chairmanship of the congressional committee of the National Suffrage association. This announcement was made at a suffrage headquarters today. It was said that Mrs. McCormick would go to Washington at once.

GREAT SMOKE SALE

AT

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\$35,000 Stock of Clothing and Furnishing Goods to Be Sacrificed

First of all we owe an apology to the persons who were kind enough to come into our place but could not be waited upon, on account of the tremendous rush we had last Saturday. Hope they will give us another chance by coming in again, as we have added a large selling force. Now we want to thank the public in general for responding so largely to our SMOKE SALE—due to the extra big bargains we are offering at this time of the season—a chance of a lifetime to get nice clean merchandise as almost 50c on the dollar. Bear in mind that our guarantee goes with all merchandise sold—money refunded if desired.

Follow the Crowd. Get a Share of the Bargains
Christmas Goods at Cut Prices

MEN'S AND YOUNG MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS

\$6.50 and \$7.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$3.95

\$7.50 and \$8.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$4.95

\$8.50 and \$9.00 Suits and Overcoats, and odds and ends of \$10.00 lots—we've put them all in one lot. Smoke sale price... \$5.95

\$10.00 and \$12.50 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$6.95

\$12.50 and \$15.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$7.95

\$15.00 and \$16.50 Suits and Overcoats, and quite a few odds and ends and small lots of \$18.00 lines, all sizes, big variety. Smoke sale price... \$9.95

\$18.00 and \$20.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$12.95

\$22.00 and \$23.50 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$14.95

VERY SPECIAL—25 Overcoats, dark brown, diagonal, \$15.00 grade. While they last... \$8.95

BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS

\$2.50 and \$3.50 Boys' Suits. Smoke sale price... \$1.85

\$4.00 and \$5 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$2.95

\$5.00 and \$6 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$3.95

\$7 and \$7.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$4.95

\$8 and \$8.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$5.95

\$9 and \$10 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$6.95

This is the best chance to dress your boys for Christmas at a small cost, with up to date merchandise.

RAINCOATS

\$6.00 Raincoats. Smoke sale price... \$3.95

\$7.50 Raincoats. Smoke sale price... \$4.95

\$12.50 Raincoats. Smoke sale price... \$7.95

\$15.00 Raincoats. Smoke sale price... \$9.95

If you are in need of a Raincoat now is your chance.

ANOTHER EXTRA SPECIAL—55 Blue Chinese Overcoats, shawl collar, half belt, \$15.00 quality. Biggest hit of the season. Smoke sale price... \$7.95

CHILDREN'S OVERCOATS

Children's \$2.50 and \$3.00 Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$1.85

Children's \$4.00 and \$4.50 Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$2.95

Children's \$5.00 and \$6.00 Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$3.95

Children's \$7.00 and \$8.00 Overcoats. Smoke sale price... \$4.95

Don't fail to bring in your children to buy an Overcoat for Christmas.

BATH ROBES

\$3.50 Bath Robes. Smoke sale price... \$2.50

\$4.00 Bath Robes. Smoke sale price... \$2.95

\$5.00 Bath Robes. Smoke sale price... \$3.95

\$6.00 and \$7.00 Bath Robes. Smoke sale price... \$4.95

Don't fail to look at our window.

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SWEATERS

50c Sweaters. Smoke sale price... 39c

\$1.00 Sweaters. Smoke sale price... 79c

\$3.00 Sweaters. Smoke sale price... \$1.98

\$3.50 Sweaters. Smoke sale price... \$2.29

\$5.00 Sweaters. Smoke sale price... \$3.39

\$6.00 Sweaters. Smoke sale price... \$4.79

\$7.00 Sweaters. Smoke sale price... \$5.49

Extra big line in all prices.

UNDERWEAR

50c Heavy Jersey Ribbed Underwear. Smoke sale price... 39c

75c Heavy Pile Lined Underwear. Smoke sale price... 48c

95c Heavy Wool Lined Underwear. Smoke sale price... 59c

\$1.00 Jersey Ribbed Union Suits. Smoke sale price... 89c

\$1.50 Heavy Ribbed Union Suits, extra quality. Smoke sale price 98c

SHIRTS

50c and 59c Shirts. Smoke sale price... 39c

75c Shirts. Smoke sale price... 48c

95c Shirts. Smoke sale price... 69c

All Flannel Shirts Cut Down

NECKWEAR

50c and 75c Neckwear. Smoke sale price... 42c

50c Neckwear. Smoke sale price... 35c

25c and 35c Neckwear. Smoke sale price... 21c

A big assortment of Neckwear, Arm Bands, Garters, Suspenders, combinations of all kinds at very low prices.

15c Hose. Smoke sale price... 9c, 3 for 25c

25 dozen of Heavy Blue Drill Overalls, 50c quality; while they last, at... 43c

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MEXICAN DIPLOMAT CHEERED

TOKIO, Dec. 22.—Francisco De La Barra, former provisional president of Mexico and now acting as special envoy to Japan to thank her for her participation in the Mexican centennial, was greeted with an ovation by the state dignitaries, officers of the army and navy, prominent business men and the public generally on his arrival today. A big crowd outside the railroad station formed lines and cheered the Mexican diplomat as he was driven to his hotel in a court carriage. Another crowd welcomed him on his arrival at the hotel. An elaborate program has been arranged for his entertainment and the emperor is to give a banquet in his honor on Christmas day.

ARCTIC SHIP FROZEN IN

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 22.—Notwithstanding the publication of interviews with persons who say they believe that Vilhjalmur Stefansson's Arctic ship Karluk under command of Captain Robert Bartlett must be lost, Stefansson's friends on the coast are not alarmed. When the expedition sailed Stefansson hoped the Karluk would not be clutched by the ice until it had attained a considerable distance northeast of Point Barrow. However, he found the ice close to the point and entered a lead with the intention of being frozen in. The ship was frozen in and is supposed to be drifting with the ice. The danger always present in a lead is that its sides will close and crush the boat.

ABOLISH DRINKING AT PRINCETON

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 22.—The latest development in the movement fathered by the senior council to abolish drinking at Princeton is the decision of the senior class to rule out beer from the class dinner. Fresh impetus has now been given to the movement by Dean McClellan, who announces that the university authorities would hold to strict account the proprietor of any drinking place in Princeton who sold liquor to minors.

That Weak Back

accompanied by pain here or there—extreme nervousness—sleeplessness—may be faint spells—or spasms—all are signals of distress for a woman. She may be growing from girlhood into womanhood—passing from womanhood to motherhood—or later suffering from that change into middle life which leaves so many wrecks of women. At any or all of these periods of a woman's life we should take a tonic and nerve prescriber for just such cases by a physician of vast experience in the diseases of women.

DR. PIERCE'S

Favorite Prescription

has successfully treated more cases in past forty years than any other known remedy. It can now be had in sugar-coated, tablet form as well as in the liquid. Sold by medicine dealers or trial box by mail on receipt of 50 cents in stamps. Miss Elizabeth Loring of Berkeley, Cal., in a recent letter to Dr. Pierce said: "I was completely broken down in health, wasaching and had pains all over my body and was so nervous that I could scarcely (if anyone talked to me, but I had the good fortune to meet a nurse who had been cured by Dr. Pierce's Prescription. I have never had an occasion to consult a physician since—am in excellent health."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate stomach, liver and bowels—sugar-coated, tiny granules

ABLE PASTORAL LETTER

Issued by Cardinal O'Connell
and Read in Catholic Churches
Yesterday

The pastoral letter of His Eminence, Cardinal O'Connell, read in all the Catholic churches of the diocese yesterday dealt with the glory of parenthood, and held up the sanctity of the home at Nazareth as the model for Christian parents. The letter deals also with the obligation of parents to give their children a religious education, on which point His Eminence says:

"The absence of the religious motive in the system of education generally prevailing in our country has resulted in the undermining of that respect for authority which is a necessary condition for the observance of law. Parental authority has been shattered to a degree that is alarming, until it may be said that in a large percentage of homes it is not the parents, but the children who rule."

The letter in part was as follows: To the Reverend Clergy and People of the Diocese, Health and Benediction. Once again God brings us face to face with the mystery of Christmas. Once again our Holy Mother, the Church, summons us to go over to Bethlehem to see the wonder that has come to pass, and to ponder in our hearts the depth of its meaning.

We kneel again with the astonished shepherds before the humble manger, which the wisdom of God has made the throne of love from which His Son shall teach and rule the world. With adoring hearts we gaze upon the sweetest and tenderest of Infants, Love made visible in the Divine Babe, who to the appealing helplessness of infancy unites the power that sustains the world. With reverent admiration we look upon the rapt ecstasy of the Virgin Mother and the anxious solicitude of the protecting foster-father.

In the depth of the riches of the wisdom of God!

What King ever had such throne-room as a stable! Yet to the stable of Bethlehem every year the human race makes pilgrimage, and at the feet of the infant royalty lays down its sceptre, genius its laurel wreath—every worshipper his heart, though all the great and noble of the world accompany us, yet we are conscious of three figures only, Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

The Family

Many and profound were the purposes which the Son of God had in coming to earth and taking our human nature. And surely one of the deepest and most touching and far-reaching was that He might regenerate the family and put it for all time on its right basis. His redeeming grace, won for all on Calvary, touches the spiritual soul directly, regenerates it, mystifies it. But in the plan of God's providence the family is the nursery in which the tender plants, given life and nourishment by God's grace, grow up into mature strength and beauty.

The creator might have called into existence the race of men as He called into being the angelic hosts—each individual, possessing at the moment of creation the powers of perfect maturity.

But He did not so will. In His infinite wisdom, knowing what was to be in the heart He was about to create, He gave so that what was tenderest, most lovable and most holy would be developed and conserved through the institution of the family—father, mother and children—the earthly triad which, in the distinctness of its personalities and the unity of its common life, should be a beautiful, remote, reflection of the Holy Trinity.

In like manner, the Son of God when He came to earth, might be expected to form for Himself a perfect body in the full enjoyment of maturity, and to take that human form to Himself. But He did not choose so to do. He chose rather to become a babe, to take from the pure flesh of the Virgin Mother that precious body that one day was to hang upon the cross, and to draw from the reservoir of her immaculate heart the blood that one day should pour itself out in a rich tide of redemption. Who does not see in this choice the infinite wisdom of God? And who does not see what the Incarnate Son of God would teach us by being born into a home, by growing up in a home, by submitting himself to the restraints and laws of family life?

He would focus the attention of the world upon the family. He would set up for the imitation of all generations the perfect family. He became a child himself, that He might sanctify childhood; that He might win for him-

self the heart of every child and keep it holy; and that, ever remembering the Babe of Bethlehem, the Child of Egypt, the Boy of Nazareth, He might know that Childhood is a most sacred state, that it belongs to God, that God watches over it with a divine jealousy, and that His wrath will strike all who make themselves a stumbling block to it.

The Holy Family

Christian fathers and mothers, study the pattern that is set up for you. The Son of God Himself has come to earth to teach you. The holiest, loveliest of earth's daughters, the sinless Virgin, the Immaculate Mother, He gives to Christian mothers to inspire, sustain and embolden them in the unwavering discharge of duties highly conceived and nobly performed even at the cost of constant sacrifice.

The Model Home

The home at Nazareth is the model for every Christian home. To you, too, Christian fathers and mothers, God has entrusted a priceless treasure, the product of His creative power, a child. This child, who through the expanse of eternity has been in the thought and love of the Creator, bears within him the likeness of the Creator; by adoption he is the child of God; he is the brother of Jesus Christ and co-heir with Him to an eternal kingdom in the heavens.

The First Teacher

The mother is the first, the most persuasive and the most effective, because the most loved, teacher. The child is all her own during the years when it is most docile, entirely trustful and easy to mold as wax. It is her high privilege, as it is her most solemn obligation, to put a deep and tender love of God, of Jesus and His Blessed Mother into the heart of her child before even it leaves the family sheepfold for the instruction of church and school.

If she fails in this, she is guilty of a heinous crime against the soul of her own child. Under the pretence that the child is too young to understand religion, she has thrown away a priceless opportunity; she has allowed the dawning morning of the soul's Springtime to pass without sowing those seeds of virtue which would have had all the quicker and more fruitful growth because planted in a virgin soil with no weed to choke or hostile influence to blight it.

The School

The education of the child, which is his training for full and useful life, begins in the home and, until the school age is reached, is entirely what its parents make it. Parents are the divinely appointed teachers of their children. Upon them rests the responsibility for the proper development of the mind and the formation of the character of their offspring. They cannot shift this heavy responsibility to others. If they themselves are unable to give the training that will properly fit their children for their place in human society, they may delegate their authority to others who will teach in their stead, but even then, they cannot divest themselves of the obligation of a personal supervision of their children.

Need of Parental Example

Even when the child has the advantage of being educated in a religious school, it remains the function of the home to give force and point to the lessons in virtue and religion learned in the class room. There must be no contradiction between what the child hears in the school and what he sees in the home.

Let fathers and mothers strive with scrupulous care to reproduce in their own home, so far as it is possible for them, the dear religious atmosphere of the holy house of Nazareth. In every Catholic family, let God have what is His strict right—first place, always. Let reverence for holy things and the spirit of prayer, let patience and gentleness, purity and sobriety, charity and sweet affection be the very air which your children shall breathe.

The Child in the Secular School

If such care is needed in the home, even when the child is surrounded with safeguards and the help which the religious school furnishes in such abundance, what multiplied solicitude, what unsleeping vigilance, what added personal work are not required when the child is deprived of the advantages of

a religious education in the school, and when the task of his spiritual formation is thrown almost entirely on the parents.

The short hour in the Sunday school is altogether insufficient to give the child that grasp of the doctrines and principles of our holy religion that, later in life, will be proof against the temptations to unbelief or religious indifference.

The work of the Sunday school must be supplemented by the work of the parents, and if the parents feel themselves unequal to giving extended instruction on the teachings of the church, let them at least be rigorous in requiring their children to study thoroughly at home the weekly catechism lesson, and let them form in their children from their earliest years the habit of regular reading of Catholic books and papers suited to their age and needs.

Let these parents remember that the formation of the mind on the lines of Catholic principles and doctrines is only a part of religious education; the heart of the child must be drawn to love God more and more, and his will strengthened to keep God's law ever more and more strictly.

Catholic parents must strive all the more resolutely to put into the hearts of their children reverence for God's holy law and for all that pertains to Him, because irreverence towards holy things and contemptuous disregard of all authority, human and divine, are crying sins of our age and country.

The absence of the religious motive in the system of education generally prevailing in our country has resulted in the undermining of that respect for authority which is a necessary condition for the observance of the law. Parental authority has been shattered to a degree that is alarming, until it may be said that in a large percentage of homes it is not the parents but the children who rule.

Disregard of parental rule to the detriment of civil and divine law is a logical step. And underneath it all is one of the false principles of our times, that the individual is supreme, and that what the individual likes and wishes is, for him, the law of conduct.

Dignity of Parents

Christian parents, recall to yourselves again and again the high vocation to which you are called. In a true sense you are "a holy priesthood," for you are called to offer to God a chaste generation of holy souls.

If you are to fulfill that high office yourselves must be holy. You yourselves must set the example of every virtue which you wish to see shine in your children. Example is the most potent teacher. Virtue has its contagion, as well as vice, and looking to the nation of your lives your children will unconsciously imitate you.

Be not discouraged by the difficulties or the length of your work. Remember that you will save your own soul if you save the souls of your children.

God will not be wanting. He who came to earth to set up the type of perfect family with a dazzling reputation in the tabernacle, to God and Him will give you power to make your home a nursery of virtue and a vestibule of heaven.

Here, therefore, is the lesson of Christ to the Christian family at this blessed time of His coming as a babe in Bethlehem.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

D. F. Keith's Theatre

A rural comedy with the tang of the west to it, will be in the spotlight at the D. F. Keith theatre, this week. It will be the big joyous feature of Christmas week and the theatre will prove to be the biggest mirth-maker of any comedy not seen here in a long time. "Red J. Arcturion," Chicago comedian with a dazzling reputation, has brought this act into the east and its premiere performance will be made in this city. It is based upon the three-act comedy "The Three Men in a Boat," which scored so well a few years ago. The name of the new piece is "Hiram on the Farm" and it is filled not only with rural comedy but with a story which concerns the stranding of an operative company on an Indiana farm. This piece ought to strike the funny-note of the theatregoers. It is one of the best liked vaudeville offerings of the Middle Western states knows.

The Bryan-Summers company, two men in a comedy, is a specialty and a span of musical conception known as "A College Proposition."

Charles E. Simon, "that maverick" will once more delight audiences with his unusual comic diversions. Simon is noted far and wide for his lack of symmetry. He is built along the lines of the proverbial bean pole, only he is straighter and thinner than most of them.

Mlle. Jeanne Longenette, the noted Italian prima donna, will give a wonderful gallery of racial portraits.

Raymond and Vance in "Fun at the Seashore" have the usual sort of a making shift, with a plentiful supply of music, thrown into it. The two Emile sisters, youthful, daring comedians will open the bill.

William Lewis' Animal Circus is one of the recognized Christmas acts. There isn't a child but who will want to see the little ponies, the parrots and the funny cats. It is a circus on a reduced scale, and one that will make the hearts of the kiddies quiver with joy. The Pathé Weekly pictures will be presented, as projected, as Santa Claus for any performance during the week should be ordered as far in advance as possible.

THE PLAYHOUSE

"A Trip to the Sun" will entertain Playhouse audiences this week, with "The Sunshine Girls" and the Landers brothers as the purveyors of comedy and mirth. Special scenery and an augmented company are promised in connection with this production. Comedian Hanson, known throughout the burlesque work as an Al performer, has been engaged to assist the Landers, and his work will form a conspicuous feature in the evening program. Miss Bond, a dainty little woman, is among the new members of the chorus, and her songs will add to the gaiety and charm of the musical program. Miss Sutherland and Miss Glauco, whose songs have been so pleasing, will continue to entertain. Living pictures will be passed by Arline Cox and Margaret Fuller. A special feature promised is the "Devil Joke" in which all of the women of the chorus wear red devil suits. Performances afternoon and evening. Telephone 371.

DON'T EAT RAW MEAT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—To prevent the spread of trichinosis, a dread disease little known to the American people, the department of agriculture last night issued a warning against the consumption of raw or uncooked pork products, the declared source of the malady.

In many districts of the country, particularly those with large foreign populations, the statement said, large quantities of pork are consumed during the Christmas season, resulting frequently in cases of seriously impaired health, if not in fatalities.

PRESIDENT IN GOOD FORM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson had the glow of health on his cheeks and looked as well as ever when he met the Washington correspondents at a regular Monday morning conference today for the first time in several weeks.

STEAMER ARRIVES

HALEFAX, N. S., Dec. 22.—Arrives steamer Pretorian, Glasgow.

VISITS PRESIDENT

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice,
British Ambassador,
at Washington Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, called on President Wilson today for the first time since last spring. The ambassador has only recently recovered from a long illness. He presented a copy of an embossed address to the president from the people of Chelsea, England. In that town the mother of the president was born and there, from 1820 to 1825, the president's grandfather, the Rev. Thomas Wood, was pastor of the Congregationalist church.

Jules Jusserand, the French ambassador, introduced to the president today the new military attaché of the French embassy, Captain De Sauvigny.

IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CHRISTMAS SERVICES—SPECIAL PROGRAMS ARRANGED

All the Holy Name societies of this city are making preparations for the union service which will be held at St. Michael's church on the feast of the Holy Name, Jan. 18. The preacher for the occasion will be Rev. James J. McCarthy, state chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, who is universally known as a brilliant pulpit orator.

Immaculate Conception

The parish mass at the Immaculate Conception church yesterday was celebrated by Rev. Fr. O'Brien, O. M. I. There was no sermon, but the pastoral letter from Cardinal O'Connell was read.

In the afternoon a meeting of the junior branch of the Children of Mary sodality was held. This meeting had been called by the spiritual director, Rev. Fr. Sullivan, O. M. I., for the purpose of hearing the final report on the embroidery sale which was held last week at the Y. M. C. I. rooms. The various tables gave returns which showed that the result was far better than expected. Fr. Sullivan complimented the girls for the decorations and it was decided to make this sale an annual event. On Christmas day the masses will be celebrated at 6, 7, 30, 9, 10 and solemn high mass at 11.

St. Patrick's

The masses on Christmas day at St. Patrick's church will be celebrated at 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 o'clock. The high mass will be solemn at 11 o'clock. Confessions will be heard on Wednesday afternoon and evening. The Holy Name society is making preparations for the union service and it is expected that this society will be as largely represented at the service as any other similar organization of the city.

A gang of men is now employed at the rectory in laying a fresh coating of paint and several other alterations are under way. The interior of the building will be given altogether a new appearance.

St. Joseph's

Rev. J. H. Racette, O. M. I., Ph. D., pastor of St. Joseph's parish, spoke at all the masses at St. Jean Baptiste church yesterday and his talk was in the line of congratulations to the parishioners for the success of the recent events conducted for the rebuilding of the church. He announced that on Christmas day the masses will be the same as on Sunday.

St. Michael's

The Holy Name society of St. Michael's parish held an important meeting last night and considerable business and transacted. The members were addressed by the spiritual director, Rev. Fr. Sullivan, who spoke on the coming union service to be held at this church, and preparations were completed for the said service.

The masses at St. Michael's on Christmas day will be at the usual Sunday hours, 6, 30, 9, 10, 11, and 12, the latter to be a solemn service. Solemn vespers services will be held at 7 o'clock.

St. Margaret's

The committee in charge of the annual reunion of the members of St. Margaret's parish are hustling on the

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THERE'S NOT A MOMENT TO BE LOST!

START OUT TODAY ON YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Notwithstanding the heavy drain made on our stocks the past week, many of our assortments remain unbroken. We are splendidly equipped to meet the demands upon our service. We would suggest that our customers hurry small parcels when it is convenient to do so.

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RED CROSS STAMPS FOR SALE AT STATIONERY DEPARTMENT.

Today We Start a
Mark Down Sale of DOLLS
IN THE BASEMENT.

All our 50c Dolls, marked down to.....	39c
All our 39c Dolls, marked down to.....	25c
All our 25c Dolls, marked down to.....	19c
All our 25c Books marked down to.....	10c

We show the largest and most complete lines of Men's, Women's and Children's Handkerchiefs, Furs, Leather Goods, Hosiery, Gloves, Neckwear, Muslin Underwear, Stationery, Waists, Linens, Jewelry, Umbrellas, all boxed if desired.

arrangements for the event which will be held at Associate hall on Jan. 18, and according to reports the affair will be the most successful ever conducted in that parish.

Tomorrow afternoon St. Elizabeth's guild will hold its annual Christmas tree at St. Peter's orphanage and the 120 children of the institution will be provided each with a suitable gift. Refreshments will be served and an entertainment program will be supplied by the children of the institution.

St. Peter's

Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan celebrated high mass at St. Peter's church yesterday and Rev. John F. Burns read the announcements. In place of the customary sermon the pastoral letter from the cardinal was read. On Christmas day the masses will be as on Sunday, but the 6 o'clock mass will be a high mass and the 11 o'clock a solemn high service.

Notre Dame de Lourdes

The high mass at Notre Dame de Lourdes church yesterday was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Leon LaMothe, O. M. I., while the cardinal's pastoral letter was read by Rev. J. B. A. Barrette, O. M. I. The quarterly communion of the men of the parish will be held next Sunday at the 7.30 o'clock mass. The Cadets as well as the members of the Garde Sacre-Coeur will attend in their full regalia and the mass will be a military service. At the conclusion of the service breakfast will be served in the school hall. In the evening a reunion of the men will take place at the church and an appropriate sermon will be delivered by Rev. Fr. Barrette, O. M. I.

Sacred Heart

The children of Sacred Heart parish were royally entertained by the pastor, Rev. Fr. Wade Smith, O. M. I., yesterday afternoon, when a Christmas tree was held in the lower church. The affair took place at 2.30 o'clock and was attended by 350 young ones, who were each presented with suitable gifts.

It is needless to say that the boys and girls' hearts thumped when they saw the large Christmas tree which had been installed in a corner of the temple. The pastor in very appropriate terms extended his Christmas greetings to his little friends, and at the conclusion of his address, which was listened to with great interest, the gifts were distributed by the pastor and his assistants.

The masses Christmas day at this church will be celebrated on the same time as Sundays, 6, 7.30, 8.30, 9.30 and 11, the latter to be a solemn service.

JOB GOES A BEGGING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Uncle Sam has one job that apparently is going a begging. The place calls for an expert needlewoman to mend tattered and historic flags at West Point military academy. Thus far no one seems to have cared for the position.

The civil service commission recently sent broadcast application blanks for examinations for the vacancy from which it was hoped a large number of applicants might be secured. Although the position carries a salary of \$3 a day, not a single person had applied for the place. The commission has about reached the conclusion that there is either a scarcity of needlewomen or the pay is not sufficiently attractive.

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Get a copy of The Sun noon edition.

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Christmas List

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Self-Filling
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Fills and cleans itself at any inkwell in four seconds. Exchangeable after Christmas if point doesn't suit.

Never leaks. Never balks. Always writes smoothly without a scratch. In handsome Christmas boxes.

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BOY KILLED BY AUTO

Sad Accident in Which Merrill Woodward Lost His Life—Was Struck by Nashua Auto

A fatal accident occurred in North Chelmsford yesterday afternoon, when a nine-year-old boy, Merrill Woodward, son of Otis Woodward of the same village, was accidentally killed by an automobile owned and operated by George L. Erb, of Nashua, N. H. The driver of the auto was later taken to the local police station, where he was booked for manslaughter.

The accident occurred on the road that runs from North Chelmsford to Tyngsboro, and those who witnessed it say it was unavoidable. The part of the chauffeur, the boy, it is said,

was playing in the road with companions, when in order to get out of the way of an oncoming automobile he ran into the path of the other. The chauffeur applied the emergency brakes, but the distance was so short and the boy was struck and thrown to the ground. He was picked up in an unconscious condition and removed to the residence of Dr. Varney, and Dr. James Hoban was called, but the boy died despite all that the physician could do, death being due to internal injuries and a fracture of the skull.

MOUSTACHES ARE CONDEMNED

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Moustaches from an economic point of view were discussed by the boss barbers of Harlem at a meeting last night. The fad of raising the upper lip adornments was condemned and the recent royal comment of the Kaiser that Germans must not shave off their moustaches and thereby become effeminate was blamed for the waste of four minutes, the extra time required, it was said, to shave around the edges of a moustache.

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rent? The best list of small houses
for rent, with descriptions and
prices. Don't fail to see our list be-
fore deciding. T. H. Elliott, 64 Cen-
tral st.

TWO SUNNY TENEMENTS TO LET
newly painted and papered; one 5
rooms, \$1.50; one 4 rooms, \$1. Inquire
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FLAT OF FIVE ROOMS TO LET
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home for young men away from home.

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business, try The Sun "Want" column.

FAVORED LIQUOR

N. H. Mass. an Act En-
couraging Manufacture
of it in 1792

That New Hampshire, in the early
days, encouraged the manufacture of
malt liquors is conclusively borne out
in the following communication ad-
dressed to "Observant Citizen" in The
Manchester Union:

Observant Citizen: The history of a
country is written in its laws and no-
where, perhaps, are the changed phases
of the progress and civilization of a
community indicated with greater cer-
tainty than in the acts of its law-
making body chosen by the people, and
where the representatives come fresh
from their constituents at each suc-
ceeding session. Their acts are really
the pulse of the people; quickening or
growing slow as the moral sense of the
community advances or recedes.

No more interesting study presents
itself to our consideration than our
state laws and the acts passed by the
legislature of our state for the past
century. As a curious and striking
instance of the changes which have
taken place in the sentiments of our
people I here send you an exact copy
of an act to encourage the manufac-
ture of malt liquors which can be
found in the General Laws of New
Hampshire, published by authority of
the state in the year 1792.

Yours Truly,
J. P. Brennan.

Breweries Once Popular

"An Act to Encourage the Manufacture
of Malt Liquors: Whereas, the man-
ufacture of malt liquors in this
state will tend to promote agriculture,
diminish the use of ardent spirits, and
preserve the morals and health of the
people. Therefore,

"Be it enacted by the senate and
house of representatives in general
court convened: That if any person or
persons shall hereafter within this
state erect, or if already erected, shall
continue any buildings or other works
for the manufacture of malt liquors, or
if any person or persons shall hereafter
erect, or having already erected, shall
continue any buildings or other works
for the brewing of malt liquors, and
shall actually use and occupy them for
the aforesaid purposes, all such build-
ings and works, together with the
stock used therein, and the yards ad-
jacent to, and occupied for the afore-
said purposes, shall be exempted from
all taxes of every kind and nature that
may be assessed under the authority
of this state, and the owner or owners
of such works or buildings are used
for the purposes aforesaid, shall be
exempted from all poll-taxes; and shall
also have an abatement annually in
his or her or their taxes, for as many
poll-taxes as he, she or they shall in
the opinion of the selectmen of the
town in which such works are, or shall be
erected, usually employ of apprentices
or workmen in said manufactories: Pro-
vided, That this act shall not con-
tinue and be in force for the term of
ten years from the passing thereof
and so longer.

This act passed Dec. 22, 1792.

MR. JAMES A. SULLIVAN

Attached to the Federal Immigration
Bureau to be located at Providence,
R. I.

Mr. James A. Sullivan, formerly of
this city, but for some years past at-
tached to the federal immigration bu-
reau as inspector and investigator, in
matters pertaining to the work of the
department was in this city Satur-
day. He has been stationed at
New Bedford, but will shortly be
under notice, be located at Provi-
dence, R. I.

MINOR LEAGUE GAME WAS FAST
Jenkins and Regnier Were the High
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\$175,000 LOSS

3 Hurt in Blaze That Destroyed Worcester Department Store

WORCESTER, Dec. 22.—Fire took a heavy toll of Santa Claus here yesterday morning when flames swept the seven-story annex of the C. P. Sherer company department store, filled with holiday stock, damaged the main store and adjoining buildings, and for a while threatened the whole retail district with destruction.

The total loss will reach \$175,000, nearly half of this being of special Christmas goods, including many thousands of dollars' worth of toys.

It took four hours of hard fighting, during which three firemen were severely hurt and five overcome with smoke, before the blaze was under control.

The firemen were handicapped by the fact that the fire seemed to have been smoldering four hours before it was discovered and the four top floors of the building were spouting flame

from every window before a single stream of water could be put on. The main Sherer store, at the corner of Front and Commercial streets, faces Worcester common and thousands stopped on their way to church and packed the open space to watch the show-stopping conflagration this city has had for years. The presence of the big crowd in this section of the city, when the fire was first discovered at 2:20, greatly hampered the firemen.

The heat was so great that all attempts to save the annex were abandoned and the firemen turned their efforts to saving the main store and the adjoining Chase office building. The latter caught several times and was only saved by a desperate fight.



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MRS. PANKHURST

Goes to Paris to Recuperate After Hunger and Thirst Strike

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst left London very quietly yesterday for Paris on the way to Switzerland to recuperate from the hunger and thirst strike in Holloway jail, from which she was released on Dec. 17. Her departure was not accompanied by any of the usual demonstrations.

Rumors were in circulation today that relations were strained between Miss Sylvia Pankhurst and Miss Cristabel Pankhurst, the two daughters of the militant mother, in consequence of Sylvia's determination to concentrate her campaign in the East End of London and in efforts to co-operate with the members of the labor party. Cristabel disapproves of this scheme and is said to be withholding money.

HOLIDAY RUSH

Washington is Crowded as on Inauguration Day

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The holiday rush of sightseers to the national capital is on. At this season Washington attracts more visitors than at any other time of the year. Thousands of persons have already begun to flock here and each incoming train is crowded. The throng at the Union station today was so large that employees felt as though inauguration day was being repeated. The visitors are made up principally of delegations of girls and young men students from various parts of the country.

Lowell Opera House

The House Beautiful

1.30 to 5—DAILY—6.30 to 10

Warner's Feature For Today

The Secret Marriage

Love—Jealousy—Trouble

5—OTHER FEATURES—5

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Teapots, \$1.65, \$1.80, \$1.95, \$2.15, \$2.35, \$2.65

Coffee Pots, \$1.50, \$1.65, \$1.80, \$2.00 and \$2.25

Percolators, \$3.25, \$4.75 and \$4.98

Double Boilers, \$1.35, \$1.59, \$1.75, \$1.95, \$2.25 and \$2.75.

Berlin Kettles, \$2.10, \$2.75 and \$3.00

Tea Kettles, \$2.98, \$3.25, \$3.39 and \$3.59

Lipped Sauce Pans, 42c, 60c, 75c, 85c, 98c, and \$1.10.

Lipped Kettles, 85c, 98c, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.40, \$1.65, \$1.80 and \$2.25.

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Towel Bars, 50c, 55c, 65c, 70c, 80c, 90c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.25.

Mirrors, \$3.98, \$4.98, \$5.98, \$6.75, \$7.50, \$7.98, \$8.98 and \$9.75.

Combinations, \$1.38, \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.25, \$3.75, \$4.00 and \$4.50.

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Snap Dishes, 50c, 60c, 75c, 98c, \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Toilet Paper Boxes, \$1.38 and \$1.50

Dental Combinations, .75c

Creme Paper, all colors, .50c Roll

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Girls' Sleds, .50c, 60c, 70c and 98c

Boys' Sleds, .50c, 59c, 69c, 89c and 98c

Speedway Flyers, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.98

Flexible Flyers, \$2.49, \$2.98, \$3.75 and \$4.49

Racer's Flyers, \$4.25

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THE HOSPITAL SITE
MAY BE PURCHASED

The meeting of the municipal council scheduled for tomorrow forenoon at 11 o'clock promises to be a very busy and very interesting one. The council will give hearings on the proposition for a contagious disease hospital on the Dr. Pillsbury estate and other matters stated for consideration include the \$39,000 loan order for the purchase of land from the Locks and Canals company for playground purposes in West Centralville.

Another hearing will have to do with the relocation of the pole in Edison street. Persons in that street object to the present location of a certain pole and James F. Owens will appear for them. The council will have a great deal of petitions to consider. Most of them will have to do with poles and wire attachments and the business of the meeting will also include the drawing of jurors, one grand juror and eight traverse jurors to serve in the superior court in Cambridge.

INVITED TO BALTIMORE

Mayor O'Donnell today received an invitation from James H. Preston, mayor of Baltimore, to attend the national centenary of the writing of the Star Spangled Banner to be held in that city in September, 1914, and to appoint five representative citizens who would be interested in the event.

DELAY ON CURRENCY BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Although administration leaders in congress bent every effort for a speedy approval of the currency bill today that it might be hurried to the White House for President Wilson's signature before night a series of delays developed to hamper their passage.

Copies of the conference report were late coming from the printers and the parliamentary situation in both the house and the senate seemed to favor delay. Democrats in both houses were prepared, however, to ask for speedy approval of the disputed points agreed upon by house and senate conferees with the hope of getting the bill out of the way in time for President Wilson to leave for his Christmas vacation in Mississippi tomorrow.

It was 2 o'clock before unanimous consent was secured in the house to take up the conference report. At that hour the report had not been presented and the leaders expected three hours' debate when it did come in. As the house met first at 2 o'clock, its opening in the senate was postponed before late in the day. In the house, procedure called for the setting aside of the rules in order that the conference report might not be forced to lie over for a day to be printed. In the senate the leaders endeavored to smooth away the obstacles, chief of which was an insistent protest by the supporters of the provision for an insurance of bank deposits which was stricken out of the bill in conference. The conferees agreed on practically all of the fundamentals of the measure as it passed the senate including the provision that not less than eight nor more than 12 regional banks had been created. The reserve requirements for banks entering the system, which had been slightly let down by the senate, were strengthened in conference, an amendment allowing the use of the present bank notes and the proposed new federal reserve notes in bank reserves being stricken out. In order to make the change the house conferees called in Rep. Bulkeley of Ohio, a member of the house banking committee, who made an extended argument to show that the provision was unnecessary.

The last long drawn out struggle of the conference resulted from the administration's determination that the comptroller of the currency should be given a place on the federal reserve board, which will control the new system. The senate conferees were evenly divided on this proposition, three senators joining with the house members of the committee in supporting the administration's contention. It was nearly daylight when a single shifting vote brought the conference to a close. The conference accepted the senate amendment increasing the gold reserve behind the new notes to be issued from 35-1-3 per cent, as fixed in the house bill, to 40 per cent, with a graduated tax on depletion as arranged in the senate. It was understood that President Wilson and Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo let the conferees know that they favored the increase. A compromise plan for retiring the two per cent bonds on which the present currency is based was written into the bill by the conference. Under

the plan \$36,000,000 of these bonds will be purchased each year, beginning two years after the system is placed in operation by the new regional banks from the present national banks.

On one half of its holdings each regional bank may issue currency. The remainder will be refunded. Thereafter, 40 year bonds and three per cent one year treasury notes, which the banks must agree to renew each year for 20 years.

Representative Underwood, the democratic leader of the house, planned to attempt to get the conference report voted entirely outside its influence in the house and senate conferees were doubtful of their ability to secure action in both house and senate before tomorrow.

Under the conference agreement, cities where regional reserve banks are to be located will be selected by the secretary of the treasury, the secretary of agriculture and the comptroller of the currency.

When telegrams favoring Seattle were presented to the senate today by Senator Dole, Senator Burton declared that the organization should be determined where the new banks were to be located. If it were practical, he said, congress should pass a resolution that no senator or representative should use his influence with the organization committee.

IRISH NAT'L FORESTERS

HELD LARGE MEETING YESTERDAY AND ELECTED OFFICERS FOR YEAR

A largely attended meeting of Branch O'Neill Crowley, Irish National Foresters, was held in Leather Workers' hall yesterday afternoon with Chief Ranger James Cryan in the chair. There was a class of 35 new members initiated as a result of the activity in the competition for the flag offered by Grand Chief Ranger Joyce of Boston. New officers were also elected for the year, the list being as follows:

James Cryan, chief ranger; Thomas Linahan, sub chief ranger; James W. McInerney, treasurer; Thomas Nevin, financial secretary; Robert Gill, assistant secretary; Thomas Slattery, senior woodward; Hugh McQuade, junior woodward; Michael Newton, senior leader; Thomas Moran, junior leader; Dr. J. J. Cassidy, physician; Messrs. Timothy Sexton, Thomas Moran and Patrick Daly, trustees.

Arrangements have been made by this branch to organize a drum corps. The instruments have been purchased and a first class drum corps to form the nucleus of a band will be selected from the members. At the meeting yesterday the quarterly reports were read and showed the branch to be in excellent standing both as to membership and finances.

EXPLOSION ON TRAIN

ROSTOCK, Me., Dec. 22.—An explosion occurred on the Russian coast special train at the railroad station here just before the arrival of Dowager Empress Marie of Russia, who left Copenhagen today for St. Petersburg. Seven members of the train crew were injured.

EMPEROR MENELIK DEAD

ADDIS ABABA, Abyssinia, Dec. 22.—It is officially announced here today that Emperor Menelik is dead.

FUNERAL NOTICE CONNECTION WIGGIN.—Died in this city, Dec. 20th, Edwin L. Wiggin, aged 59 years, 3 months and 5 days, at his home, 3 Wilton avenue. Funeral services will be held at the Edison cemetery, Tuesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, instead of at his residence, as erroneously stated. Please omit flowers. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Heglov.

BUILDING SAVED FROM
AUCTIONEER'S HAMMER

At the meeting of the Y. M. C. A. collectors, early this afternoon, the committees, after a great struggle, announced that the new building had been saved from the auctioneer's hammer by the generosity of the people of Lowell.

The total amount raised to date was \$81,503.66.

The principal contributors today were: Herbert F. Lyman, \$1000; Edward Lovering, \$1000; C. P. Baker, \$1000; Chas. F. Fairbanks, \$1000; Shattuck & Hussey, Chicago \$1700.

Other Contributions

Other contributions announced were: Selling house of Waterhead mills \$500.00 Mrs. W. B. Spaulding 500.00 Mrs. J. M. 500.00 Hiram F. Mills 100.00

The Meeting

With over 1000 people crowded in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium this noon the committee reported the sum of \$21,711.66 for the day bringing the building fund up to \$81,503.66, over \$8000 more than the amount asked for. The final figures were greeted with cheers and when everything was tabulated and it was ascertained that the building would be saved all present, including a large number of women, arose and cheered heartily for several minutes.

Every seat in the association building was taken up, the gallery being filled with men and women who were interested in the campaign. The meeting was featured by the reports of the boys, the high school class reporting a large amount while the grammar school boys reported the sum of \$4000. Previous to this last announcement it was not known whether or not the deficit would be raised and when the figures went over \$75,000 the boys were loudly applauded for their earnest work.

At the time of the opening of the noon meeting it was generally believed that another meeting would have to be held tonight in order to realize the full amount but each report showed that the destination was being neared and about 2.15 o'clock the final figures were placed on the chart.

Among the contributions announced today were a great many from societies and churches throughout the city and many small Sunday school classes pledged amounts that helped to bring totals up. All the announcements were greeted with cheers and after the meeting was over the campaign was continued by the individuals and companies that helped to make the campaign such a grand success.

The men then gathered in front of the building and about 1000 in line, headed by the boys who helped in the campaign, marched to Merimack square to witness the moving of the hand of the big clock and when it was pushed way over the \$75,000 mark the 1000 voices cheered again and again for the local Y. M. C. A. and for all who helped to save the home of over 1400 local young men.

Other Contributors

Among the large amounts that were reported at today's meeting are: Progressive club of Pawtucket church, \$45; Benevolent society of Calvary Baptist church, \$50; Palace Street church, \$50; Christian Science church, \$55; Fifth Street Baptist church, \$72; First Congregational church, \$207; Girls club of

Foot mills, \$26; Appleton mills, \$195; M. G. Perkins, \$100; First Baptist church, \$100; Pillsbury flour mills, \$50; Samuel N. Wood, \$100; selling house of Waterhead mills, \$500; overseers of Appleton company, \$100; Middlesex Women's club, \$200; Mrs. W. B. Spaulding, \$500; ladies of Congregational church of Billerica, \$50; sewing circle of same church, \$25; Joel Nace, \$500; Charles S. Eaton, \$100; York club, \$200; office of John A. Stevens, \$100; Gorham Street Methodist church, \$32; S. H. Scott, \$100; Old Ladies' Home, \$7.10; Mrs. S. T. Brown, \$5.

Report of Teams: Previously reported \$59,732.00 Today 21,711.66 Total \$81,503.66

Citizens' Committee

Team	No. of Pledges	Amount
1—J. A. Bowen capt.	39	\$1500.00
2—J. A. Smith capt.	32	504.00
3—P. E. Donahy capt.	12	494.00
4—C. D. Redway capt.	32	525.00
5—Franklin Nourse capt.	15	519.00
6—H. W. Foster capt.	28	925.50
7—P. W. Hall capt.	8	78.00
8—R. W. Thompson capt.	6	110.00
10—Geo. H. Taylor capt.	15	554.00

133 \$5299.50

Business Men's Committee: C. W. T. S. Bartlett, capt., 43 \$478.00 D. A. Derby capt., 12 417.50 P. C. Fleming capt., 31 417.50 W. H. G. Wright capt., 25 425.55 A. F. French capt., 27 303.85 C. Vanderberg capt., 19 312.75 K. W. T. Sheppard capt., 11 102.00 177 \$2436.50

Young Business Men's Committee

M—Frank Gilbert, capt., 11 \$61.67 M—G. Campbell, capt., 15 89.00 S—V. P. Proctor capt., 105 119.00 O—Otis Butler, capt., 71 539.35 P—Theodore Pearson, capt., 34 201.00 R—Robert Friend, capt., 32 1219.00 S—Lawrence Chase, capt., 57 312.75 T—E. W. Dooley, capt., 47 354.00 V—V. B. Coburn, capt., 9 55.00 W—Geo. C. Dunn, capt., 47 379.24 1352 \$3616.01

High School Boys' Tennis

Team 11, Hockmeyer capt., 15 \$700.00 Team 12, Leland capt., 52 270.00 Team 13, Barton capt., 13 104.50 Team 14, Fletcher capt., 32 110.50 Team 15, Dunn capt., 35 121.50 Team 16, Hayward capt., 34 124.00 Team 17, Dutton capt., 24 166.25 Team 18, Washburn capt., 15 177.48 Team 19, Harris capt., 33 171.50 Team 20, Mansfield capt., 15 116.50 285 \$1393.05

Boys' Teams

Executive Committee \$3190.00

5926.70

WELDING DEVICE BARRETT SPEAKS

A trio of workmen attracted considerable attention in Central street today on account of the nature of the work they are performing. These men are equipped with what is known as the Indianapolis portable electric welder and their business is to weld fuses and switches on the electric car tracks.

The machine, which is on wheels, carried 500 electric volts and is covered with signs warning the public not to go near the apparatus. Two men keep tabs on the machine and its many electric switches, while the other one attends to the welder, a small instrument connected to the large machine with electrical wires. This third party while at work is surrounded by a canvas protector and hidden to the public. Occasionally large sparks emerge from the protector, and this seems to be the chief attraction. Hundreds of people this noon watched the operations from the sidewalks. The apparatus gets its current from the trolley wire and the tracks.

FEDERAL VICTORY

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22.—Federal successes at Tepic and Mazatlan, both on the Pacific coast, are reported in official advices received here today. The rebels are said to have been severely pushed in a fight with the federal troops eight miles from Tepic, while the federal forces which had been besieged at Mazatlan for many weeks are said to have assumed the offensive and to be forcing the rebels back toward Coliman in Sinaloa.

FOREIGN EXHIBITORS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Comptroller Ewing urged the house passage of the bill today to recommend guaranties to foreign exhibitors at the San Francisco exposition under the Kahn act.

CALLED PRINCIPAL "SNOOKUMS"

MORAN, Kan., Dec. 22.—For a high school girl to call the principal "Snookums" and "Daddy" and to refer to her history instructor as "Pet" is contemptuous but the school board is the court of last resort in such a case and its acts are not subject to judicial review, according to a decision rendered today by Judge Faust in the district court dismissing a suit brought to enjoin the school board from suspending Miss Vivian Varner from attendance in the Moran high school. Testimony was given to show that Miss Varner had referred to Principal Wright, and to one of the teachers with the appellation Judge Faust finds contemptuous. Miss Varner was suspended and her father asked to the court.

STEAMERS SIGHTED

SLACKSSETT, Dec. 22.—Str. Bergenford, Bergen, for New York, 350 miles east of Sandy Hook at noon. Dock noon Tuesday.

Sable Island, Dec. 22.—Str. President Grant, Hamburg for New York, 77 miles east of Sandy Hook at 7 a. m. Dock 3.30 p. m. Wednesday.

Str. Cassel, Bremen for Boston and New York, 442 miles east of Boston at 10.20 a. m.

WOMAN POET KILLED BY CAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Miss Virginia Vaughn, writer of lyrics and poems, translator and friend of Nathaniel Hawthorne, the Brownings and other authors of half a century past, was killed by a street car in Eighth avenue yesterday.

Miss Vaughn was the daughter of John Champlin Vaughn, an abolitionist, who published anti-slavery newspapers at Cincinnati and Cleveland. She was 31 years old.

LAST EDITION

GORHAM STREET
JOB IS FINISHED

There is no happier lot today than the residents and business people of Gorham street, and particularly the latter, for at last the famous job on repairing Gorham street and laying in a sewer and other miscellaneous jobs which have been going on in that busy thoroughfare, are completed, and for the first time this morning since last June, both tracks of the Day State Street Railway Co. were opened for traffic.

On June 12, last a portion of the street was ripped up for the lowering of a sewer. This was a rather large enterprise and it was a long time before it was completed. However, the men had no sooner left the premises, than the water department gang came along and of course more digging was done for the water main had to be repaired. While this was going on the street, or a portion of it was closed to vehicles and only one track of the electric car company was used, which meant a considerable decrease in the car traffic.

The business men were just about to protest against all these repairs being done at the same time, and the residents of the street were on the verge of telling the city officials that enough of that work had been done, when it comes the men of the street department, armed with picks, shovels and other tools necessary to do a good job on the surface of the street. They were set to work between Elm street and Davis square and for the third time half of the street was closed. Bad weather interfered and the result was that the men were kept on the job until Saturday.

BANK IS CLOSED HUB MAYORALTY

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22.—The Bank of London and Mexico closed its doors today.

Today's suspension was not due to lack of assets, but to the scarcity of currency. Silver and gold have been both long scarce in the country and recently state bank bills have been refused except in the states where they were issued.

The London and Mexico bank has been embarrassed more than have other concerns because it has been accepting deposits while the other had been refusing them.

The depressing public, made nervous by the ugly outlook of the banking situation generally, began on Wednesday last week to withdraw money. It is claimed today on behalf of the London and Mexico bank that it could meet the demands on it from its reserve, but it is pointed out that this would be impracticable as it would imperil the standing of its bank notes. A small crowd of depositors gathered in front of the doors of the bank today but was orderly.

TO REPRIMAND OFFICERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson today made public a letter addressed to Secretary Daniels requesting that "a very serious reprimand be administered to those army and navy officers who participated in the recent dinner of the military order of the Carabao at which the administration's Philippine and other policies were satirized."

The letter follows: "The officers who were responsible for the program of the evening are certainly deserving of a very serious reprimand, and I hereby request be administered to those army and navy officers who participated in the recent dinner of the military order of the Carabao at which the administration's Philippine and other policies were satirized."

"I am told that the songs and other amusements of the evening were intended and regarded as 'fun.' What are we to think of the officers of the army and navy of the United States who think it 'fun' to bring their official superiors into ridicule and the policies of the government which they are sworn to serve with unquestioning loyalty into contempt? If this is their idea of fun, what is their idea of duty? If they do not hold their loyalty above all silly effervescence of childish wit, what about their profession do they hold sacred? My purpose, therefore, in administering this reprimand is to recall the men who are responsible for this lowering of standards to their ideals; to remind them of the high conscience with which they ought to put duty above personal indulgence and to think of themselves as responsible men and trusted soldiers, even while they are amusing themselves as diners out."

"Sincerely yours,"

"Woodrow Wilson."

SUPREME COURT RECESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The supreme court recessed today to Jan. 5, when decisions in several important cases are expected.

MOTHER AND SON KILLED

CALAIS, Me., Dec. 22.—Mrs. John Ahearn, a widow of Baileyville, and her 12 year old son Daniel, while driving to the city today to do their Christmas shopping, were struck by a Maine Central passenger train on a crossing at Barling and killed. Mrs. Ahearn's skull was crushed and death followed immediately. The son lived a few minutes after being picked up.

Mr. Murphy said that he decided to quit because of changed conditions. He said he had made no trade with candidates and that he would take no part in the contest.

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Terrible, Details of Vol-
canic Eruptions—The
Flames 1000 ft. High

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 22.—Incoming steamers bring terrible details of the recent volcanic eruptions on the island of Ambrym, in the New Hebrides group, in which 500 natives lost their lives. Witnesses of the disturbance describe it as having been so sudden and violent that they expected to see the whole western side of the island disappear.

With a terrific roar, which was followed by a rapid succession of artillery-like detonations, all the craters of the volcano entered into full activity, spouting flames and lava and throwing out huge boulders. Great streams of lava soon were rushing down the slopes, cutting off the villagers from escape. In one instance two torrents of the molten mass joined and made an island of one entire section of a village. Here 50 or 60 persons perished.

The scenes at night were awe-inspiring. Flames shot into the air to a height of 1000 feet, illuminating the scene of destruction. The ocean seemed to boil as huge spear-headed masses of stone fell into the sea and streams of lava poured into the bay.

Dust from the craters gradually formed a black cloud which blotted out the light of the stars.

The bay after the eruption was filled with dead fish and large numbers of dead turtles. The water in the river was hot.

The British hospital buildings were wiped out of existence, but previous to their destruction the doctors pluckily removed all the patients to a launch and escaped with them.

EX-MAYOR SHEA DEAD

QUINCY, Dec. 22.—William T. Shea, mayor of Quincy from 1885 to 1912, died today after an illness of nearly a year, aged 67 years. He was a well known road-building contractor.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

STOUGHTON, Dec. 22.—Pinned for an hour beneath his overturned automobile, R. Dale Smith, a prominent Brockton man, died on the road in Washington street early yesterday morning while his companion, Dr. Charles I. Graustein, lay stunned beside him.

Within a hundred yards were several houses, but their occupants were asleep and unconscious of the tragedy.

Smith was dying when Dr. Graustein regained consciousness. He could hear the groans of his friend while he struggled to free himself from the overturned car. But by the time he had extricated himself, searched about the touring car and found Smith's pulse had stopped. An hour passed between the time of the accident and when the physician felt about in the darkness for his wounded companion.

The two men were bound from Boston to Brockton, they reached Stoughton about 1 o'clock in the morning. On Washington street the machine skidded. Dr. Graustein says that when the auto began to lur on the road Dr. Smith put on more power in an effort to keep the machine on its track. The wheels, however, failed to catch the earth.

The auto described an arc, and then, snapping in the air, fell upside down. Smith was pinned beneath the engine. Dr. Graustein in some manner caught his foot in a forward wheel and was rendered unconscious when the machine fell.

An hour later, according to Dr. Graustein, he regained his senses. His foot was still caught in the wheel and with difficulty and much pain he extricated it.

Dr. Graustein then went to the nearest house, that of John Webb, who woke up several of the neighbors and notified the police of both Stoughton and Brockton.

The party went immediately back to the place where the automobile was overturned, lifted it up and found Smith dead beneath it.

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THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL

COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF CONSTRUCTION OF \$2,000,000 MONUMENT MET TODAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Lincoln memorial committee, charged by congress with responsibility for the construction of a \$2,000,000 memorial here to the martyred president met today in an effort to start the machinery in motion for erecting the memorial. The two men were bound from Boston to Brockton, they reached Stoughton about 1 o'clock in the morning. On Washington street the machine skidded. Dr. Graustein says that when the auto began to lur on the road Dr. Smith put on more power in an effort to keep the machine on its track. The wheels, however, failed to catch the earth.

TRIAL OF A. A. McLEAN

TREASURER OF N. Y. DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE WILL BE ARRAIGNED IN JANUARY

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The trial of A. A. McLean, treasurer of the democratic state committee for 1912, will be held in January, according to announcement by District Attorney Whitman today. McLean is indicted on two counts charging the acceptance of campaign contributions from corporations, a violation of the corporation laws and punishable by imprisonment of one year and a fine of \$1000.

CONGRESS DISSOLVED

GENERALS AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS APPROVED ORDER OF PRES. YUAN SHI KAI

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Just a ratification of the drastic measures already taken is the interpretation which members of the official circle here place upon the action of Yuan Shi Kai's generals and provincial governors in approving his president's order dissolving congress. It was explained that President Yuan realized that the legislators had assembled in a dual capacity and for that reason he ordered them to disband. Until order has been restored and the country's finances put on a sound footing the parliamentary branch of the government will be suspended, it was said.

TEDDY GOT 'EM GOING

FORMER PRESIDENT IN HOT ARGUMENT WITH CHILIAN OVER THE MONROE DOCTRINE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Members of the diplomatic corps, especially representatives from the South American countries, were greatly interested in a report reaching Washington yesterday that former President Roosevelt and Dr. Marchal Martinez, at one time Chilean minister to the United States, had clashed in Santiago de Chile on account of divergent views on the Monroe doctrine. The Chilean is reported to have strongly dissented from the Roosevelt view that the much discussed doctrine is still a vital issue.

FUNERAL NOTICES

KNOX—Died in North Chelmsford, Dec. 21 at his home on Wright street, David M. Knox, aged 31 years 10 months, 17 days. Strictly private funeral services will be held from his late home, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Please omit flowers. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers Young and Blake.

SUTCLIFFE—Died in North Billerica, Dec. 20, at his home, 35 Elm street, John T. Sutcliffe, aged 55 years. Funeral services will be held from 31 Elm street, North Billerica, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends invited. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers Young and Blake.

JORDAN—Died, Dec. 20, in this city, Mrs. Sarah B. Jordan, aged 77 years, at her home, 230 East Merrimack street. She is survived by her husband, Joseph W. Jordan, two children, Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford and J. Wilson Jordan and one grandson, Joseph W. Jordan. Funeral services will be held at 230 East Merrimack street, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends are invited without further notice. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertaker George W. Healey.

KELLEY—The funeral of John J. Kelley will take place Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock from the home of his son, Michael J. Kelley, 650 Broadway, at 8:15 o'clock. High mass of requiem at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker Peter H. Savage in charge of funeral arrangements.

MARTIN—The funeral of the late John P. Martin will take place Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock from the home of his son, Mrs. Stephen Laughton, 74 Chapel street. High mass of requiem will be celebrated at St. Peter's church at 9:45 o'clock. The interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker James H. McKenna in charge.

EGAN—The funeral of Elizabeth Egan will take place from the home of her sister, Mrs. John Egan, 3 Thins street, Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. High mass of requiem will be sung at St. Peter's church at 9:45 o'clock. The interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker George B. McKenna in charge.

DEATHS

SHARP—Catherine Sharp died Saturday at the Chelmsford street hospital, aged 59 years. She is survived by her husband, William. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertaker Peter H. Savage.

KNOX—David M. Knox died yesterday morning at his home in North Chelmsford, aged 31 years. He leaves, besides his mother, two sisters, Misses Jennie and Flora, and three brothers, Robert, George and John.

SUTCLIFFE—John T. Sutcliffe died Saturday at his home, 35 Elm street, North Billerica, aged 55 years. He leaves, besides his wife, Sarah A., one son, Everett of Waverly, and a daughter, May Sutcliffe of Billerica.

SHARP—Mrs. Catherine Sharp, aged 59 years, died Saturday at the Chelmsford street hospital. She is survived by her husband, William. The body was removed to the funeral parlors of Undertaker Peter H. Savage.

KELLEY—Mrs. Ellen Kelley, wife of Patrick Kelley, died Saturday at her home, 123 High street, aged 5 years. Besides her husband, she leaves two brothers, John and Arthur Lowell and Patrick Hunt of New York, and one sister in Ireland.

OBER—Mrs. Jane A. Ober died Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary A. Fordham, at Billerica Centre, aged 77 years. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Mary A. Fordham and Mrs. Jessie Barber of Wilkesbarre, N. Y., and eight grandchildren.

JORDAN—Mrs. Sarah B. Jordan died Saturday at her home, 230 East Merrimack street, aged 77 years, 6 months, 6 days. Besides her husband, Joseph W., she is survived by two children, Mrs. Rose Jordan Hartford and J. Wilson Jordan, and one grandson, Joseph W. Jordan.

McKENZIE—Mrs. Rebecca McKenzie, widow of the late Robert McKenzie of Baring, Mo., died Saturday at 854 Bridge street, aged 81 years, 7 months. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Arthur E. Rabeour, one son, Walter E. of Alaska, and one grandson, Walter B. of Boston.

WEBSTER—Mrs. Anna Webster, a well known and devout attendant of St. Michael's church, died last evening at her home, 151 Coburn street, after a long illness, aged 63 years. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. James Webster, one brother, John Mulharky, and sisters, Mrs. Ralph Helt and Mrs. Thomas E. Sherry.

RICO—Winslow A. Rico died Saturday in Lawrence, aged 25 years. He was a native of the Philippine islands, but has made Lowell his home for several years. He was a noted athlete, and was prominent in the local Y. M. C. A. He leaves one brother in the Philippines. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertakers Young & Blake.

MARTIN—John P. Martin, a well known and popular young man of this city, died Saturday afternoon at the Lowell hospital, aged 18 years. He leaves three sisters, Mrs. Mary Brown of Natick and Misses Annie T. and Katherine Martin of this city, and one brother, Hugh Martin, of Lowell. The body was removed to the home of his aunt, Mrs. Stephen Laughton, 74 Chapel street.

SULLIVAN—The many friends of John J. Sullivan, a popular young resident of Pawtucketville, will be grieved to learn of his death which occurred last night at his home, 74 White street, aged 25 years, 6 months. Deceased was a young man of many noble traits and for whom the future held forth a promising career. Deceased was born in this city, the son of Michael M. and Ellen Sullivan. Besides his parents he leaves one brother, John, and eight sisters, the Misses Sarah, Helen, Margaret, Mary, Grace, Irene, Ethel and Mildred Sullivan. He was a devout attendant of St. Columba's church and of the Holy Name sodality connected with the church.

FUNERALS

OBER—The funeral services of Mrs. Jane Ober took place at the home of

her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Fordham, in Billerica Centre, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Harold Dale, pastor of the Congregational church, Billerica Centre, assisted by Rev. J. P. Frye. The body was forwarded to Wilkesborough, N. Y., where burial took place. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

RICO—The funeral services of Winslow A. Rico took place at the rooms of Young and Blake, 33 Prescott street, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock and were largely attended. The services were conducted by Rev. Raymond G. Clapp, pastor of the First Trinitarian church. The bearers were J. Black, L. Brown, A. J. Wickes and A. Lamson. There was a delegation present from the Lowell and Lawrence Y. M. C. A. The flowers were many and beautiful. Burial was in the Westlawn cemetery.

HEALEY—The funeral of Mrs. Sophia Healey, wife of Frederick Healey was held Saturday afternoon from the rooms of Undertaker John A. W. Stecney, 13 Market street. Rev. N. W. Matthews, pastor of the Primitive Methodist church, officiated. The bearers were William Pangburn, William Chalkwick, James Pangburn and Harry Eldred. Burial was in the Westlawn cemetery, where the committal services were read by Mr. Matthews.

BARBERIA—The funeral of Frank Barberia took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the home of his brother, Manuel, 25 Marshall street. Burial was at St. Anthony's church at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. Manuel R. Rodriguez officiated. Among the flowers was a cross inscribed "Frank" from the fam-

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SOYERS—The funeral services of Martin T. Sowers took place Saturday afternoon from his home in Orleans street and was largely attended by relatives and friends. The services were conducted by Rev. Raymond G. Clapp and a delegation from Post 129, G. A. R. There were many beautiful floral tributes from relatives and friends. From the family a large pillow inscribed "Father." Others to send tributes were: The grandchildren, Mrs. James Hadley, the Misses Belle and Hazel Hadley and James Hadley, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor, Arthur Bolton, Martin Mack, the Women's Relief Corps and other friends. The bearers were members of Post 129, consisting of Messrs. J. Deilo, C. H. Stecney, C. H. Stecney and A. W. Stecney. Burial was in the family lot in the Edison cemetery, where the committal service was read by the Rev. Mr. Clapp. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young and Blake.

T. Schofield. The church was filled with sorrowing relatives and friends, who came to pay their last tribute of love and respect to one whom they loved so dearly. People from all stations and walks in life were present on this sad occasion, a great number being present from out of town. Those who attended the services in the church also marched in a body to the grave, and there was deep sorrow on every side. It was one of the largest funerals held in this village for a long time, for it seemed that everybody knew Nelson Provost and was pleased to call him friend. The floral tributes were unusually beautiful and testified in a marked degree to the high esteem in which he was held in the community. The bearers were Henry J. Healy, James O'Brien, P. Henry Harrington, A. R. Wild, William H. Healy, Lester McLennan, Burial was in St. Catherine's cemetery, Grantville. Undertaker J. A. Healy had charge of the arrangements.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

At this time last year the board of health was up against a scarlet fever epidemic. It was on the eighth day of this month that the board held a special meeting for the purpose of formulating plans to fight the disease. There are but 15 cases of scarlet fever in the city at the present time and Agent Bates of the board of health allows that Lowell's physical condition is all to the good. Besides the 15 cases of scarlet fever there are 16 cases of measles and 5 cases of diphtheria in the city.

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REVIEW OF COTTON CROP

What a Southern Textile Authority Has to Say of This Very Important Matter

After having sold at 14 cents for the second time this season, the market declined again to the 13 cent level. The decline was brought about by the issuance of several private crop estimates for a yield of 15,000,000 bales or more.

As a matter of fact the large crop estimates have been taken more seriously by the trade than the smaller estimates, and as a crop of 15,000,000

would provide all the cotton needed this season, there was general liquidation of long contracts and of spot cotton, which resulted in the decline established.

However, the size of this year's crop remains an unknown quantity still, as no day an estimate of 15,000,000 bales will be issued, only to be followed by a prediction for a yield of about 14,000,000 bales. There is nothing of an official nature on which one can look forward to for a yield of 15,000,000 bales.

On the contrary, all the data available still points to a yield of less than 14,500,000 bales, perhaps not more than last year's 14,161,000 bales.

To November 11th of this year the quantity of cotton ginned was 10,434,000 bales compared with 10,300,000 to the corresponding date last year, an increase of only 134,000 bales over one year ago. In view of the high prices prevailing, it is probable that as late as it not a larger percentage of the crop was ginned to Nov. 14th this year than was ginned to the corresponding date one year ago. Under the circumstances there does not seem to be any warrant for crop estimates of over 14,500,000 bales.

In the meanwhile the trade will await the issuance of the annual crop estimate of the government, due December 12th, which will report on the probable size of the actual growth, exclusive of linters, etc. Last year the government made a good estimate, placing the growth at 13,820,000 bales. On the same date the census will report on quantity ginned to Dec. 1st.

Thus far this year there has been marketed of this crop 7,319,000 bales compared with 7,157,000 bales to the corresponding date of one year ago, and although the movement to market shows an excess of 162,000 bales over last year's arrivals, the world's visible supply of American cotton is 592,000 bales less than it was at this time one year ago—4,016,000 vs. 4,608,000.

It is claimed that the trade demand is not good this season, still we find that the spinners of the world have taken to date of American cotton 457,000 bales more than to even date last year—1,231,000 bales vs. 3,841,000 bales. The export movement continues large, since September 1st 3,868,000 against 3,836,000 one year ago, and we have reason to believe that shipments to foreign shores will continue heavy in the near future, as the stock on shipboard at all U. S. ports is very heavy, larger than at this time last season—343,000 vs. 329,000.

Private cables from Liverpool are to the effect that there is to be no short time in England this season, as spinners of Lancashire report good business for forward delivery. Liverpool's stock and allot of all kinds is only 1,199,000 bales, last year 1,532,000, or 333,000 smaller than one year ago.

According to our deductions the United States will require more cotton than last season, Japan and Continental Europe about the same as one year ago, while England, owing to some falling off in the demand from India, will probably use a little less of American cotton this season. On the whole, however, it looks as if the world will need about 15,000,000 bales of American cotton this season, as last year's consumption by the world of American cotton was 14,903,000 bales.

Since the consumptive demand promises to be about 15,000,000 bales the size of the crop becomes the all important factor. If this crop should be less than 14,500,000 bales, as it promises to be, the market is apt to advance again to the previous high levels of the season.

EMMONS LURED BACK

TO MASSACHUSETTS FROM SALEM, NEW HAMPSHIRE SO THAT HE COULD BE ARRESTED.

The details in the arrest of Herbert Emmons, the man whose case went on trial before Judge Enright in police court Saturday morning, have just leaked out and are of an amusing nature in some respects.

Emmons is charged with having gotten \$500 from C. I. Dodge of this city under false pretenses. Mr. Dodge went to Supt. Welch about the matter when he decided to swear out a warrant for Emmons' arrest and told the head of the local police department that Emmons was in Salem, N. H., and wanted to know just how it would be possible to encompass the arrest of the man he claimed took him in to the tune of \$500. Dodge realized that the Lowell police could not make an arrest in New Hampshire.

It seems that previously Emmons had asked Mr. Dodge to try and dig up some purchasers of stock in a corporation in Salem. All of this was made known to Chief Welch and after a few minutes' thought that worthy sent for Inspector Walsh.

When the inspector put in an appearance the chief informed him that he was to go to Salem with Mr. Dodge in the latter's machine. Whether or not any further instructions were forthcoming at the time is not known, but the chief promptly got into his warmest clothing and departed with Mr. Dodge armed with a warrant for the arrest of Emmons.

The machine was driven to the mill in Salem, at which the complainant felt certain Emmons would be found and Mr. Dodge entered the building leaving the officer hunting up to the ears in the townhouse of the car.

Mr. Dodge greeted Emmons very cordially and explained to him the object of the visit, or rather the alleged object. Said the Lowell man: "Say, Emmons, I think that we have got another man who will go in with us and take some of the shares. I told him that we would meet him in Lawrence at the Needham Hotel, what do you think of it?"

Without stopping to take a look at the officer who calmly puffed a cigar in the rear seat of the machine, Emmons clambered aboard and the car was soon whizzing on its way into Massachusetts and into the jurisdiction of the local police.

Not a stop was made until Lawrence was reached and then Inspector Walsh jumped into the limelight. Placing his hand upon the sleeve of the badly fooled Emmons he informed him of the fact that he was wanted on a charge of larceny in Lowell and that he would have to go to the police station.

As soon as the Lawrence police station was reached Emmons telephoned for Lawyer J. P. S. Mahoney and the law firm started as soon as the attorney arrived on the scene. The lawyer asserted at first that his client had been kidnapped from New Hampshire and protested against his arrest. Nevertheless, Emmons was later taken to the Lowell police station.

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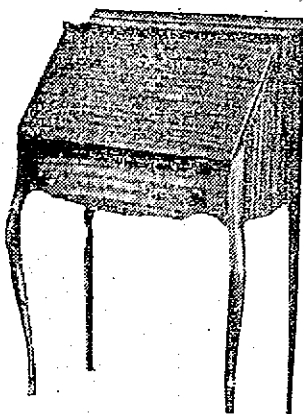
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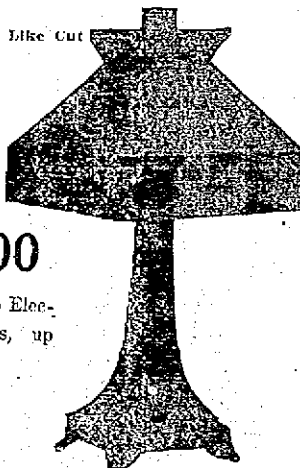


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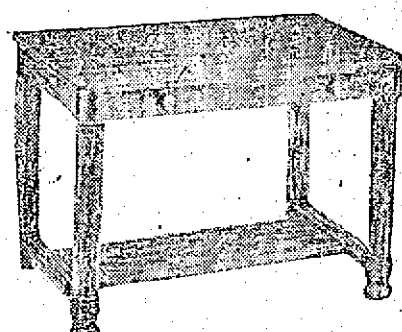
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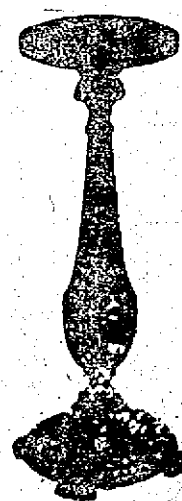
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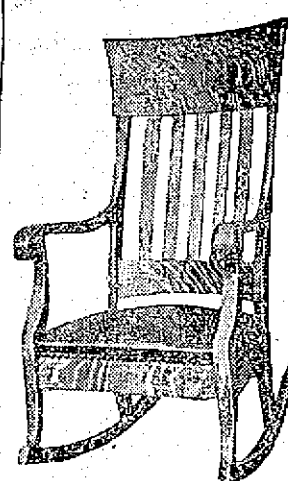
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REP. SULLIVAN DEAD

LEGISLATOR HAD LED PROTEST AGAINST EAST BOSTON TUNNEL TOLLS

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Representative Benjamin F. Sullivan of East Boston died at the City hospital yesterday from the effects of an operation performed about a week ago. He was taken ill at that time with an intestinal trouble. In the last election he was a candidate for governor's council but was defeated by Alexander McGreggor. Overwork in connection with his campaign is given as the reason of his breakdown.

Representative Sullivan had always taken a great interest in East Boston affairs. He was one of those who favored the East Boston tunnel and at the time of his death was greatly interested in doing away with the extra toll of one cent, which is charged each person using it. His death occurred one year from the day he was arrested while making a test case as to the legality of the extra toll. The matter is still pending and the question will be on the ballot at the next city election.

He was born in East Boston, in 1876, and was a half brother to the late Senator Edward J. Mahoney and a brother to Representative Lewis J. Sullivan. He was in the real estate business, having for a partner former Councilman Frank A. Goodwin. He is survived by a wife and four children.

BILLERICA

The Protestant churches of Billerica, following the long established custom, celebrated the Christmas festival yesterday with special musical services, both morning and evening. Most of the churches were appropriately decorated and the children took part in either the morning or evening service.

Rev. David Murphy officiated at both masses of St. Andrew's church yesterday. The Christmas services will be held on Christmas morning at 8 o'clock.

The Billerica public schools closed Friday for the Christmas recess and will reopen next Monday. The students of Mitchell's Military school were also given their annual Christmas vacation and nearly all of the boys left Saturday for their homes.

USE RED CROSS STAMPS

The Red Cross Stamps are for sale at all the leading drug stores, Pollard's, Prince's, Judd's, Kittredge's, Son Marché, Nelson's, Convey Transfer Co., and other places. The Red Cross Stamps thus sold are to benefit the movement against tuberculosis. The Lowell Guild is the local agency for the stamps and gets a percentage of the sales to be applied to its own work.

A Wisconsin tuberculosis enthusiast suggests a new fraternity, to be called the Order of the Double Cross, with the motto: "Give the double cross, the red cross, to tuberculosis." Membership dues should consist of a dollar's worth of Red Cross Stamps. A number of Milwaukee men have pledged themselves as members.

GEORGE F. LEE CHOSEN

Parole Officer at the Middlesex County Training School—To Assume Duties on New Year's Day

In compliance with a vote taken last summer by the county commissioners, Supt. Rufus E. Corlew of the Middlesex County Training School of North Chelmsford, recently appointed George F. Lee parole officer for the institution. Mr. Lee is at present clerk in the office of the superintendent and will assume his new duties Jan. 1. The new parole officer will have as a

part of his duty to know where each boy goes when he leaves the school, what sort of a home he goes to or what sort of employment he secures, and what sort of conditions surround him, as well as looking after the welfare of the child.

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St. Mary Unshrinkable Blankets, white, gray and red, at \$10

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Moriarty Acquitted of the Murder of Mrs. Caroline Turner



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TOMS RIVER, N. J., Dec. 22.—Joseph Moriarty, also known as William J. Leehan, was acquitted by a jury Saturday on the charge of murdering Mrs. Caroline Turner, wife of a gardener on the estate of George Gould at Lakewood.

The jury was out an hour and 10 minutes. Its verdict caused an uproar in the courtroom, which could not be quelled for five minutes.

The case of the prosecution, the defense contended, collapsed at last night's session, when witnesses for the prisoner testified that Moriarty had been at home all afternoon on the day of the murder.

One of the witnesses said that she had heard Mrs. Turner's voice shortly after 10 o'clock of the same evening, and that the woman had then been one of the occupants of an auto run into her yard and collided with a tree, lending color to the claim of the defense that Mrs. Turner had died as the result of an automobile accident or was the victim of violence at the hands of an automobile party.

Judge James McInturn, in his charge to the jury, drew special attention to the testimony of Eli Goldberg, who said that Detective Jamison had told him that Moriarty had been arrested

for the crime in order that the reputation of the detective agency might be saved. He also pointed out that the agency had been employed to get evidence against a suspect.

Mrs. Turner, the state contended, was slain on the afternoon of April 24, 1911. She was last seen alive while entering the pine woods at the end of Lakewood's main street. Her body was found the next afternoon, with the skull crushed. A seven-foot club lay nearby.

Moriarty, who left Lakewood not long after the crime was committed, was arrested on April 3 of this year at Fort Lee, N. J.

Shortly afterward Mrs. Jasper Lynch, a well-known society woman of Lakewood, began to interest herself in his case and engaged counsel for him, Mrs. Lynch attended every session of the trial. She said today she would make an effort to clear up the mystery.

Moriarty and his family will leave at once for Manchester, N. H., their former home.

The fact that Mrs. Jasper Lynch took an active part in the defense of Leehan was in itself a sensation, for Leehan is a poor self-confessed whiskey victim, and Mrs. Lynch, a noted beauty in her day, is the wife

of one of Lakewood's wealthiest residents, Jasper Lynch, a real estate operator. Mrs. Lynch had asserted all along that Leehan was innocent and paid his counsel fees and other expenses. In the illustration Mrs. Lynch is shown with the two lawyers she engaged for Leehan, Attorneys W. H. James and A. J. C. Stokes. Mrs. Brown, sister of the murdered woman was one of the chief witnesses for the state.

PRINDLE CASE

The Young Burglar May Have Had Accomplice in Lowell

It is now thought by the police authorities of this and other cities, that James W. Prindle, the 19-year-old burglar and desperado who was arrested by the Somerville police recently and who is wanted here for several breaks, had an accomplice in Lowell. This theory is being worked upon by the Lowell police and is not at all unlikely that developments will sustain this theory.

When arraigned in the Somerville po-



JAMES W. PRINDLE

lice court Prindle pleaded guilty to robbing one house, the particular break where an impression was made of his fingers. In this case the police have absolute proof of his guilt but circumstantial evidence is all that can be offered in the others. Prindle was held in \$1000 and sent to the East Cambridge Jail to await trial.

The girl arrested with Prindle, Bertha Eldridge, is at the Lowell Jail awaiting trial next Friday. She is charged with being a lover and accomplice of Prindle and will be brought up for examination at the juvenile session. It is hoped by the police that something further may be learned of Prindle's depredations from the girl when she realises what kind of a life he has been living and what the penalty may be.

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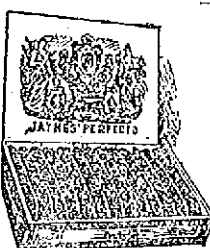
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The cigar business is one of our specialties; we handle only reliable brands of sterling quality; anyone purchasing a box of cigars for a holiday gift at one of our stores can rest assured of receiving full value for the money expended; good, honest cigars made from selected tobacco, in the best possible manner.

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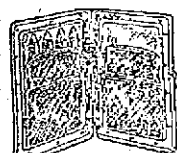
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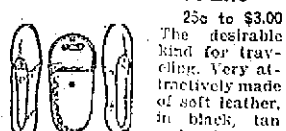
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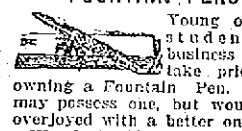


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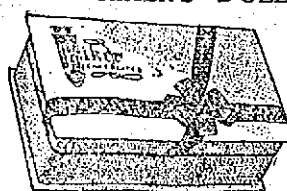
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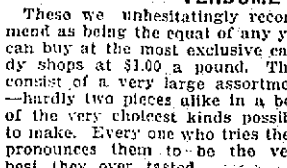
A box of choice confectionery is always an acceptable present for any lady. We have a very large assortment to select from, and guarantee every box to be the very best obtainable at anywhere near our prices.

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These consist of not only a superb collection of desirable Chocolates made from the best and purest of material obtainable—but are a selection of the most expensive and desirable pieces—not cream fillings, but fillings made from choice nuts, fruits and many other things that add not only to the cost but to the lusciousness as well. 1.00 a Pound well

VENDOME CHOCOLATES



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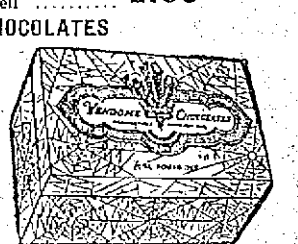
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GIRL STRUCK BY AUTO MORE TRUSTS TO DISSOLVE

And Run Over by Truck Owned by Contractor Vinal — Her Injuries Not Serious

Six-year-old Beatrice Lalanne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lalanne of 42 Lee street, was struck down at the corner of Palge and John streets at 12:05 o'clock today by the auto, truck owned and operated by Fred P. Vinal, the Dracut contractor. The little girl was thrown to the pavement and one of the front wheels passed over her body, spectators say.

Mr. Vinal was driving at a very moderate rate of speed when the accident occurred as he was drawing up at the curbing in front of the high school annex on Palge street, preparatory to stopping his engine while he went to luncheon. The child, according to those who witnessed the accident, stepped off the sidewalk into the street directly in front of the auto.

Even with his engine throttled down to minimum speed Mr. Vinal found it

impossible to stop his machine in time to avoid striking the little girl but made an emergency stop within a few feet of where the accident occurred. The child was immediately picked up by a relative and hurried to her home before Mr. Vinal had an opportunity to carry her home in the machine.

The victim of the accident was badly bruised on the left side of her face and her left hand is also probably broken. The child was badly shaken up as well as suffering from bruises on various parts of her body. Dr. Pillsbury was summoned to the Lalanne home and arrived there in a short time and dressed the child's injuries.

MINISTER DIES AT 58
WORCESTER, Dec. 22.—Rev. William A. Fokes, 58 years old, a retired Congregationalist minister died here today from paralysis.

Read The Sun noon edition.

President Says Other Corporations Are to Take Initiative in Reorganizations

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson let it be known today that some other corporations besides the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. had shown a disposition to take the initiative in reorganizations to conform with the Sherman anti-trust law.

The president did not specify what corporations he referred to though in informal discussion of the subject with callers today he spoke of having some in mind. He reiterated that there seemed to be a very general disposition to inquire what the law was to know what would be expected of "big business" and a desire to comply with the spirit of the law.

Mr. Wilson made it clear to his callers that it would be the policy of his administration to co-operate in every way it legitimately could to bring about a satisfactory understanding of the law by the business men of the country and that the executive department did not want to raise barriers against those who wanted to obey the law. The president pointed out that the attorney general would cooperate and heartily desired and welcomed the impulse on the part of business to take the initiative. The president indicated in his manner of discussion that he hoped the government had shown by example in the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. what might be expected as the future course of his administration.

LOOKING FOR LOBBY

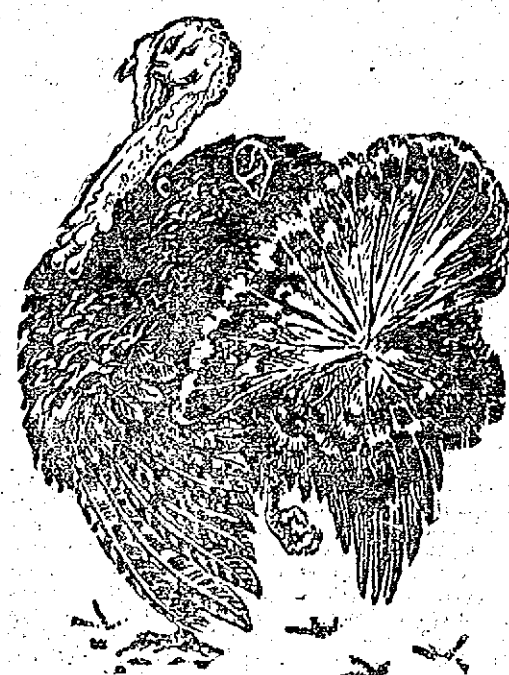
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Investigation to disclose whether a lobby exists to influence appropriations and legislation for the District of Columbia and business corporations of the city was proposed in a resolution today by Rep. Prouty of Iowa.

Read The Sun noon edition during luncheon.



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We Are Selling Exceptionally Good Turkeys at	20c
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These Turkeys are extra fancy. They are the best Fresh Killed Turkeys in Lowell.

SUGAR, lb.	4 1/2c
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RAISINS, Fancy Seeded, Pk.	7c
RAISINS, Fancy Seeded, Pkg.	7c
CURRENTS, Pkg.	8c
English WALNUTS, No. 1, Lb.	15c
CRANBERRIES, Qt.	5c
CELERY, Boston Market	10c, 14c
SQUASH, Lb.	4c

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All sizes from 15c each to extra large trees for Churches and Institutions for 50c.

These are all fresh cut, well proportioned and full limbed.

ORANGES, doz.	12 1-2c, 15c
BANANAS, doz.	10c
GRAPEFRUIT	4c
APPLES, fancy, pk.	30c
DATES	10c lb., 3 lbs. for 25c
FIGS, extra Turkey, lb.	11c, 17c
MIXED NUTS, lb.	14c

ORANGE PEEL, lb.	15c
LEMON PEEL, lb.	15c
CITRON, lb.	15c
MINCE MEAT, pkg.	6c
PLUM PUDDING, pkg.	9c
POULTRY DRESSING, pkg.	9c
FANCY RIBBON CANDY, in boxes, 2 lbs., for	23c

FANCY ASSORTED CHRISTMAS CANDY, lb.	18c
OLD FASHIONED VANILLA CHOCOLATES, lb.	17c
Special Old-Fashioned Chocolates in pound boxes	20c
CREAM PATTIES, lb.	18c
ASSORTED JELLY DROPS, lb.	12 1-2c
SPECIAL PEPPERMINTS, lb.	17c
Gulimby's Special Assorted Chocolates in lb. boxes	25c

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Regular 40c and 45c assortment, lb.	33c
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We suggest that you order today so we may pick one out and send it to you Wednesday. This assures you of early delivery and best quality.

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OPEN EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK

Combination Basket 2 FOWL (5 1/2)

1 Van Camp Spaghetti	10c
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5 Sweet Potatoes	15c
1 Celery	15c
1 Mixed Nuts	18c
1 Tender Coffee	12c
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All For \$1.98

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MINK MARMOT COAT—45 inches long, Beaver collar and cuffs; \$85.00 value at... **\$65.00**

BLACK PONY COAT—Size 38, 52 inches long; \$50.00 value at... **\$35.00**

BROWN MINK MARMOT COATS—\$75 Coats; sizes to 46, at **\$55.00**

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SWEATERS

\$5 Sweaters at	\$3.98
\$4 Sweaters at	\$2.98
\$3 Sweaters at	\$1.98

250 Dozen Waists specially priced for these 3 days of heavy selling 98c, \$1.49, \$1.98, \$2.98

Christmas Greetings

TO ALL

Three days of unparalleled values. Big reductions on our Xmas stocks of Furs, Bathrobes, Sweaters, Kimonos, Waists, Dresses, also Coat and Suit stock. No more when lots are sold. Prices that will crowd our store till the Wednesday night gong rings.

FURS THE GIFT IDEAL---READ:

\$15 Fox Muffs... \$10.00

Black Lustrous Fox, 25 only in lot.

\$10 Sets... \$5.00

Pillow Muff and Polarine Scarf, Black Manchurian Lynx, 20 sets only.

\$25 Raccoon Sets, \$15.75

Single Snake Scarf, Large Pillow Muff, to close at \$15.75.

\$35 Black Fox Sets, \$25

Double Snake Scarf, and large Pillow Muff.

Children's Fur Sets 98c, \$1.98, \$2.98 and \$3.98

All marked down from \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00.

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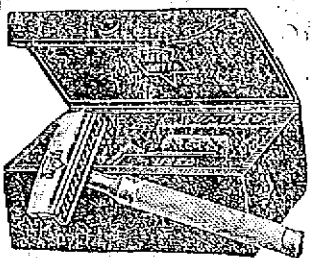
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Which would be more extensive than the stock.

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UNNECESSARY NOISES

Like a page out of an ideal set of community laws framed in some Arcadia, read the municipal regulations preventing unnecessary noises in German cities. To those of us who have lived long enough within the atmosphere of our multitudinous bells, whistles, gongs and myriad other noises, it seems impossible that the regulations of a city like Berlin can be lived up to with anything like the enjoyment or personal liberty. Anyone who causes a disturbance of public order in Germany is punishable by a fine or imprisonment and there are so many noises defined as being against the peace of the community that even a scolding wife must be often limited in her enjoyment of a right which every American suffragette will defend with her last breath. The owner of a barking dog or a crowing rooster is responsible in Germany before the law, and though there are a few indignant citizens who would gladly aid in putting such a regulation on the statute books, one can imagine what a burst of public laughter would greet an attempt to enforce the Berlin ordinances here.

In Berlin the law prohibits the playing of music, crying of wares by hawksters or newspaper vendors, in the streets, unless permission is given by the police. Articles such as chains or other metal commodities must not be carried through the public thoroughfares unless they are so packed as to make no noise while in transport. Still more rigorous laws are coming to prohibit the playing of music in houses if it could be heard outside, the prevention of public carpet beating, and loud whistling or singing in the streets, and many other restrictions which seem exaggerated to us of Lowell who hear the electric cars go through Merrimack square with blood-curdling shrieks and to whom the putting in of a ton of coal is like a prelude to the day of judgment.

While it is vain to hope that for a century or so our people will go as far as Germany in the prohibiting of useless noises, there are many things that could be done without the necessity for any municipal regulations. There is little excuse for the playing of the anvil chorus by the milkman on the back step at 3 p. m. or the creaking of the cars mentioned before. One of our fire bells is almost directly in front of one of the largest hospitals in the city and the alarms rung there for years have caused suffering to those who may need sleep in order to live or others whose nerves are keenly alive to every rude shock. Probably in time fire bells will be done away with entirely and we may even see the uselessness of the shrieking whistles and brazen bells that now beat out the hours of labor. They have taken quite a little romance out of life in Berlin but somehow the reputation of the city for progressiveness and prosperity has not suffered in the least. In time the health and happiness of the people may be considered important enough here to warrant restrictions along the same lines. Let us hope so and then go out to buy some trumpets and drums for the juvenile population, which is the way such regulations are generally observed in this country. We have noise enough in the streets. Let us get ready to increase it in the home for a week or two. By the way, what alarm was that?

A CHARITY FUND

When appeals were sent throughout the country for those who had suffered in the great western floods last spring, the response was ready and generous—so much so that after the disaster has been remedied in a financial sense, almost \$60,000 remains unused in the hands of the governor of Indiana. Practically the same thing happened after the San Francisco earthquake, and though the distribution of charity at that time was not without its revelations of graft and mismanagement, quite a little money was returned to the sources from which it came. In the case of the surplus held by the governor of Indiana, many organizations and individuals have applied for a share of it, and there is a great deal of uncertainty as to what uses it should be applied.

At this time when the needs for charity are so urgent there are many splendid purposes to which this fund could be put, but the appropriateness of many methods of possible distribution may be questioned. This money, raised by public subscription, was sent to succor those who were made destitute in a calamity of a national character, and it should not be devoted to private charities. It could be turned over to the National Red Cross society with advantage, but it seems that even a more fitting purpose can be served.

In a country as large as ours we are certain from time to time to face great calamities due to the ravages of the elements such as flood, tornado or storms or the destitution and want that follows earthquake, fire, or other catastrophes. At such times appeals will be made to the public for financial aid, and it would seem most fitting that the surplus remaining from a response to one appeal should be held in readiness to aid another afflicted

portion of the people in the country. It is to be hoped that such an appeal will not come for a great many years, but even so, the \$60,000 left since the so-called Dayton floods will be all the more valuable. Private charities will be supported by the generous public as they have always been, but this money should be applied to the relief of those whose destitution is such as to appeal to the whole country, irrespective of sectional differences.

TRADE WITH CHINA

In "Business America," a magazine devoted to a discussion of domestic and foreign trade and commerce, Major John B. Jeffrey calls attention to the vast possibilities of future Chinese trade and the apathy towards it which prevails here—due mostly to a misunderstanding of real industrial conditions in China at the present time. Having recently returned from a long stay in Shanghai he is personally familiar with his subject and deals with it in a manner calculated to awaken widespread interest in the development of American trade with the great and growing nation of the Orient.

After summing up the results of modern awakening in this great country of 450,000,000 people Mr. Jeffrey says: "Its commercial possibilities seem almost limitless." Its wealth is beyond computation; it is a nation of farmers, artisans and merchants. It has all the elements of a wealth producing country, especially abundance of raw material. The nations of Europe are fully aware of this and though America is the nearest neighbor of importance and regarded very favorably by Chinese of all classes, European merchants are getting most of the business. As an instance of American carelessness, Mr. Jeffrey says: "When I left Shanghai there were being used about seven hundred automobiles, and out of this number just one was an American car, all others being of French and English make."

What is needed here is first of all a realization of what the China of today is. So speedy has been its rise that we do not realize that it has railroads and steamship lines, imposing public buildings, great manufacturing plants, electrically lighted streets, mammoth tunnels and other engineering feats of the first class; public libraries, museums; high class educational institutions, sound banks and modern commercial systems. There is a market there for almost everything we manufacture, and all that is needed is a spirit enterprising enough to investigate real conditions in China and wise enough to meet its people in fair dealing. "Americans should not be so blind to their own interests," says Mr. Jeffrey, "as to permit Europeans to control the field of this great trade."

DAYTON STILL EXPERIMENTING

The city of Dayton, O., is determined to get good and efficient government and while it approves of the commission form as originated by Des Moines and adopted by cities everywhere, Lowell included, it has decided to add to it another municipal employee who is to be known as city manager. Dayton has seen, as all sincere municipalities must see eventually, that no matter how earnest, competent, and desirable municipal employees are, they are very much hampered in their work by retarding influences among the electorate. To be effective for good much municipal activity should be outside the sphere of politics, and the appointing of a city manager tends to this end. As a city solicitor gives expert advice in matters of legal controversy the city manager will give expert advice on the ground of economy and efficiency. "All commission governed cities will watch the Dayton experiment with interest."

DECORATE A LITTLE

The hanging of a fresh green wreath in the front window, tied with a bow of brilliant sash, does not necessitate a large expenditure of money or much waste of time and it means a great deal to all who go abroad in the joyous Christmas season of peace on earth and good will to men. Prosaic modernism gets holdier and holdier yearly in its onslaughts on all poetic usage, but while we are a Christian nation the time of Christmas will awaken thoughts that find expression in open manifestations of joy. As people hide miseries of soul under a smiling exterior, the pangs of many homes are hidden under a show of Christmas brightness. With a blazing fire, friendly reunions, and a holly spray or wreath of evergreen in the lighted window, who can be pessimistic enough to doubt that somewhere there

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GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES

The momentous question of government ownership of the telephone system of the country is the most important matter brought to the attention of the public at the present time and though it is said to be strongly supported in congress it is receiving but scant support in the press. It is sponsored by Representative Lewis of Maryland, author of the Parcel Post act, which has been an undoubted benefit to the country. Possibly he sees more in the situation than people generally do, but there is a feeling that the government has not yet demonstrated efficiency enough in the postal department to warrant popular confidence concerning the venture.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

PAINFUL ABSURDITY

Boston Post: The progress of the Pankhurst movement grows from day to day in painful absurdity. Inside the jails there is a foolish self-immolation by those who have been caught; outside, those who have evaded the police indulge in malicious and inconsequent child's play.

CURRENCY BILL

Boston Herald: The democrats, entrusted with authority in house, senate and presidency, have now passed a currency bill. Our own Senator Weeks, with some misgivings, votes for it. This gives the business elements of this and other states ground for believing that perhaps the measure is worth having, at least, as a basis for further action. It is at all events a monumental achievement to get a comprehensive measure of currency reform as far as the statute books. The passage of the bill bears substantial testimony to the capacity for leadership of Woodrow Wilson.

STILL AT HIM

Woonsocket Call: President Wilson's anger over the Carabap dinner incident should not be commuted without thought. We do not take it that Mr. Wilson felt personal offense was meant. If anybody was shot at in the dummy battle parade it was the secretary of state, the earl of Balfour, adopted from the chief newspaper enemy of the president and Mr. Bryan here only on the secretary. Moreover, the order has specifically declined that they have, unintended, to show any animosity against the president's "philippine policy" which they resent any influence in the far east. It is Mr. Bryan's.

MINING FATALITIES

Brookline Times: With mine rescue organization stronger than ever, and mine safety devices and laws for their application as near perfection as science possible, this year's coal mine tragedies have been unusually frequent and horrible, both in this country and abroad. Pessimism perhaps is unwarranted, but it is a fact that so far there is little hope that coal mining may be made much less dangerous than it is at present.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Providence Tribune: We want the gifts that bring surprise and pleasure. The children should have toys and things appropriate to their tastes; the men and women should realize that the real Christmas spirit does not reflect in the giving of those utilitarian things which should be provided throughout the year. The best possible present for a relative or a friend is an article of luxury rather than necessity—something which represents thoughtfulness and a studied desire to surprise and please.

BRICK PAVEMENTS

Worcester Post: An object lesson in the proper grouting of brick pavements was disclosed by the recent Ohio floods, says the Scientific American. The roadway was invaded by a small creek which rains had swelled to the proportions of a river. A stone retaining wall was washed away and the roadway washed out. The concrete base fell away in pieces, but the brick surface stands today apparently as firm as ever and capable of bearing the weight of an automobile. The unsupported portion of the brick is 80 feet in length and 7 feet in width. The road will be rebuilt and tamped laterally beneath the paving.

GEN. WILSON ILL

Civil War Veteran and Writer in New York Hospital

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Gen. James Grant Wilson, Civil war veteran and writer, is seriously ill in St. Luke's hospital, where he was taken three days ago. It was said there today that his condition was not considered critical at present. Gen. Wilson, who is 52 years old, is president of the New York Genealogical and Biographical society. Since 1868 he has been engaged in literary work in this city. He was the author of many books, including the life of Gen. Grant, the Great Commanders Series and Bryant and His Friends. He was married in 1907 to Mrs. Mary H. Nicholson, widow of Admiral Nicholson.

GERALDINE FARRAR ILL

MELROSE SONG BIRD'S VOCAL CHORDS AFFECTED BY SEVERE COLD CAUGHT IN BOSTON

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Patrons of grand opera and friends of Miss Geraldine Farrar are a native of Melrose, have been much distressed at reports of her serious illness, which have reached here from New York.

The fact that two of the most eminent throat specialists in the world have been attending her gave rise to rumors, that she was affected by a serious ailment, possibly affecting her voice. William E. Walter of Boston, press agent for Charles H. Mills of Boston, concert manager for Miss Farrar, last night declared she was suffering from relaxed vocal chords, brought on by a cold she contracted in Boston on Nov. 1st.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned take this means of thanking all those who by their kindly acts, and beautiful floral offerings helped to lighten the burden of grief in our dark hours, caused by the death of our beloved wife and mother. Charles J. Gennell and Family.

Seen and Heard

In addition to her passengers the Mauretania on her last trip carried five Pekingese dogs said to be worth \$10,000 which were cared for by a special attendant who had been hired for the occasion on account of his general air of good breeding. It was said, The champion breed of Pekingese are so sensitive, the attendant alleged, that they refuse chopped humming birds' liver and other delicacies when they are not prepared by a man of gentle birth.

Harvard square, about which student activities have centered for years is to be transformed. Harvard officials have been investigated with a view to making the college surroundings more beautiful.

Massachusetts avenue is to assume a Parisian boulevard effect by the alteration of the present old store and office building and the erection of arcades. Among the new structures planned are a theatre, a woman's college and a hotel. The proposed changes will cost \$3,000,000.

"Dear Mabel," he began, "do you love me?"

"Oh-h George!"

"Won't you, Mabel? Just a little tiny bit?"

"Well, y-e-s, George."

"And if I married you, would your father give us a separate establishment?"

"Yes, George."

"And take me into partnership?"

"Yes, George."

"And would your mother keep away from us, except when I invited her?"

"She would, George."

"And your brothers and sisters, too?"

"Why, certainly, George."

"And of course, the old gent would settle my debts?"

"Of course, George."

"And buy us an automobile and provide you with a handsome dowry?"

"Yes, George."

"Darling, will you marry me?"

"No, George!"

An old farmer in Missouri called at a roadside public house where he was well known. The landlady asked him to buy a ticket for a lottery they had on sale there.

"Well," he said, "I have nothing in my pocket, or I might."

"Oh, that's all right, John," she said, "take the ticket and pay for it any time."

Some time later John called again, and the landlady asked him if he knew who had won the lottery.

"No," he said, "Who won?"

"Well, I hardly dare tell you, but our Sam won. Wasn't he lucky?"

"Yes," said John, "he was lucky. And who was second, then?"

"I dare hardly tell you. Who would you think now?"

"I couldn't say," said John.

"Well it was our Sally. Wasn't she lucky?"

"And who was third?"

"Well," she said, "you would never guess and I might tell well tell. I was third. Wasn't I lucky?"

"You were," he said, "Did I ever pay you for that ticket, missus?"

"No, John you didn't," she said, beaming upon him.

"Well," said John, "ah! I lucky?"

Charles L. Shinkon, a London advertising expert, was praising in New York the change that has come over the advertisement.

"In advertising, as in other things," he said, "it has been found that honesty pays, and today, throughout the world, the successful advertiser is modest and conservative in his statements."

"Advertising is no longer misdirected. Things are no longer as they were, in Pharr's day."

"You know Pharr, our 400-pound bookkeeper?" said one man in the street to another.

"Yes, what of him?"

"Well, he gave an ad in the paper. 'Fat folks reduced,' he said, and answered it."

"Did he get any reply?"

"Oh, yes; it was just as advertised."

"That's good. And how much was he reduced?"

"Why, just as the advertisement said, \$5."—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

Senator Clapp of Minnesota tells of the cross-examination of a Swede.

"Now, Jensen," asked the lawyer, "what do you do?"

"I don't know," replied the Swede, "Aw am not very well."

"I didn't ask you how your health was," said the lawyer, "but what you do?"

"Oh, yes, Aw see," said the fellow, his stolid countenance changing a trifle, "Aw work."

"Yes, now that, but what kind of work do you do?"

"It's puddy hard work."

"Yes, but do you drive a team, or do you work on a railroad, or do you work in a factory?"

"Oh, yes, Aw work in a factory."

"Well, what kind of a factory is it?"

"It's a very big factory."

"The lawyer was muchasperated."

"Now, see here, Jensen, tell us what you do in the factory. What do you make?"

"Oh, yes, Aw understand. You bane vat to know vat Aw make in the factory?"

"Exactly. Now, tell us what you make."

"Yes, Aw make von dollar and a half a day."—Hearst's Magazine.

The Harvard Lampoon has the following:

1. Rudolph fumble, crossing Harvard Bridge, saw an old man's hat blow off in front of an auto. Running in front of the machine, Rudolph kicked the hat into the river, saving it from being crushed beneath the wheels.

2. Bobbie Butt noticed a young negro standing on the third story ledge of a building with windows, and called to him to look out. The lad turned, fell and broke his leg. Had he not been warned he would have undoubtedly broken his neck.

3. Harry Wrinkle perceived an infant playing about the front steps of a large apartment house. He took the child to the police station and locked it up where the grateful mother found it three days later. The child might otherwise have strayed away, causing the parents hours of needless anxiety.

4. Willie Wohle noticed a grocery horse standing beside the curb, perspiring freely. He withheld the animal, led it home and gave it a cool water-bazil sponge bath, followed by a good meal of mashed potatoes. The owner may get his horse by going out to Willie's house in South Weymouth.

5. Clarence Col saw an elderly lady about to step on the hem of her dress at the entrance of the subway. Rushing to her, he pushed her over on her back, thereby, in all probability, saving her a nasty fall downstairs.

6. Phredde Phut perceived a laborer sitting on a bale of straw smoking a pipe. With great presence of mind he emptied bucket of water and doused both the man and the straw thoroughly, thus allowing the honest fellow to enjoy his pipe without further risk of fire.

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Russian and Belt Overcoats—In stylish Scotch effects and solid colors—sold for \$3.50 and \$4.00

2.50

Full Belt Overcoats—In chinchilla and fancy overcoatings, all new and very smart styles, sold for \$5.00 and \$6.00

3.50

Full Belt Overcoats—Very handsome Scotch coatings and chinchillas from one of our best manufacturers—sold for \$7.00 and \$8.00

5.00

All of Our Finest Overcoats—Chinchillas and Scotch coatings, made with full belts, some with plaited backs—sold for \$10.00 and \$11.00

7.50

VERY SMART OVERCOATS FOR BOYS 10 TO 18 AND FOR YOUNG WOMEN

30 Overcoats—With belts or without cut on the full boxey patterns that the boy demands—stylish effects in Scotch overcoatings—capitally tailored, and the greatest bargain we ever advertised—ages 10 to 17 years—sold up to \$7.00

4.00

50 Belted Overcoats—Sizes 11 years to 18, single and double breast—made from novelty overcoatings and smart Scotch coatings—sold for \$8 and \$9

5.50

43 Chinchilla and Scotch Overcoats—Made with full belts or half belts or split sleeve and cuffs, extremely stylish garments—sold for \$14.00 and \$15.00

10.00

All of Our Finest Overcoats—Made by Rogers Peet Co. and other special manufacturers—the choicest garments we have ever shown—chinchilla and Scotch coatings—sold for \$17, \$18 and \$20

12.50

399 WERE KILLED

Casualties Caused by Persons Walking Along Railroad Tracks

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—A way in which Boy Scouts may be of great assistance in minimizing railroad casualties is suggested in a letter from Jas. Rea, president of the Pennsylvania Railroad, to Colin Livingstone of this city, president of the National Council of Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Rea points out that 399 trespass-

were killed on the lines of the Pennsylvania system during a period of six years and he urges the scouts to be of value to communities wherein they are organized in influencing and warning persons of the liability taken in walking along railroad tracks.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Was Made Manifest in Churches Yesterday—Children Had Large Part in the Special Exercises

Elaborate musical programs, inspiring sermons, large congregations and beautiful decorations were the order of the day in Protestant churches throughout the city yesterday. There was full measure of Christmas sentiment and the spirit of the glad season was everywhere. The children had a great deal to do with the special exercises and in many instances children's festivals were substituted for the usual evening service.

First Baptist Church
The choir at the First Baptist church gave a fine musical program. The church had been attractively decorated by the Campfire girls. In the evening the church was filled for the Sunday school concert under the direction of Mr. George H. Tanner and his assistants. The various exercises were unusually well done and the singing by the children was excellent. The Mystic class of young men also gave a hymn with a fine volume of tone.

First Congregational
The Sunday school concert at the First Congregational church was well attended. The exercises consisted of Christmas hymns by the school; a solo by Miss Jeanie Hume; recitations by Alfred Bedell and Edward E. Holden; exercises by the classes of Miss Fletcher, Mrs. Hardy and Miss Frisbie; and songs and recitations by members of the primary department, in charge of Mrs. Bertha Marston. Martin Flomberg read the Scripture lesson, and the pastor, Rev. H. A. Barker, closed the service with a Christmas story.

Central M. E. Church
As a special Christmas feature in connection with the evening service at the Central M. E. church yesterday, the beautiful cantata, "The Universal King," was given by the church choir, the reader being Miss Lydia Birchall.

High Street Church
The musical part of the service at High Street church was made up entirely of selections from the composer of Edward E. Adams, the choir director. The pastor, Rev. Allan C. Ferrin, preached on "The Christmas Sentiment."

First Unitarian
At the First Unitarian church, the quartet sang the following Christmas music: Anthems, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," Warren; and "White Shepherds Watched," Bartlett; and the Christmas carol, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," Barwald. Rev. Charles T. Billings preached on "Our Debt to Jesus of Nazareth."

After the morning service the children of the Sunday school marched in procession to the vestry, where a special service was held for them, with Christmas songs and an address by the pastor.

First Universalist
Large congregations attended the Christmas services at the First Universalist church yesterday. In the morning, the church quartet comprising Mrs. Winifred Symonds, Mrs. Nettie Roberts, Mr. Fred Booth and Mr. Harry Goodham sang appropriate music, and in the evening, the quartet was again heard, with Mrs. Roberts as the soloist.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR BOYS

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Christmas cantata, "The Hope of the World." Besides this, a program of songs and recitations was given by the members of the Sunday school. The concert was given under the direction of Mrs. Georgia Libby Dutton. Messrs. Walter Chase and Leon Brown had charge of the decorations.

First Presbyterian

"In Quest of the King," a sacred cantata, was sung at the First Presbyterian church, last evening, by the choir, choir of the church, under the direction of John M. Brown. The chorus numbered 40 persons. Mabel J. Roseman supplied the text and the music was by Meredith and Peace. Mrs. Charles Lovejoy was the reader, who supplied the vein of story for the cantata. The soloists were: Mrs. William Dooley, soprano; Miss Isabel MacAdams, mezzo-soprano; Miss Isabel Moir, contralto; Robert Huston, baritone, and John M. Brown, tenor. The organist was Miss Minnie Tucker.

French Baptist Church

Appropriate Christmas exercises were held yesterday at the French Baptist church, in West Centralville. At the morning service at 10:30 o'clock, Rev. E. C. Ramette, pastor of the church, delivered a sermon, "Message de Noel." A collection was taken up among the parishioners for the benefit of the M. C. A. fund. The program of special singing at this service consisted of a Christmas selection, "Bethlehem," by Mrs. Wilfrid Maynard; a violin selection by Miss Marguerite Ramette and a trio number by Mrs. Wilfrid Maynard, Miss Minnie Ramette and Edouard Desforges.

Grace Universalist

At the Grace church a large congregation in the morning listened to a program of Christmas anthems. The organ was supplemented by the German orchestra, and the quartet, under the direction of George Burn, furnished an admirable musical setting for the sermon by Rev. C. R. Skinner on "The Christmas Transformation." The decorations about the pulpit were in excellent taste.

Highland Methodist

At both morning and evening services yesterday, music appropriate to Christmas was sung at the Highland M. E. church, with large congregations attending. The church was decorated with a Christmas tree, and the children of the Sunday school contributed largely to the evening service.

First Congregational

The decorations at the First Congregational church were of Christmas trees, wreaths and cut flowers. The pastor, Rev. Edward H. Newcomb, preached on "The First Christmas Service," and there was special Christmas music by the choir.

St. Paul's M. E.

Large congregations attended the Christmas services at St. Paul's M. E. church yesterday. The program of the morning service included some of the numbers, under the direction of Peter Plecken. The children's choir joined in the service very effectively. Mrs. C. F. Richardson being their leader. Rev. George W. King preached an appropriate sermon.

Highland Congregational

Large congregations attended both the morning and evening services at the Highland Congregational church. Green and laurel were most effectively used in the decorations. At the evening service the congregation sang Christmas carols and a fine program of anthems was given by the choir. Rev. Mr. Dannels preached a sermon appropriate to the occasion.

Gorham Street Methodist

Christmas services were held at the Gorham Street M. E. church yesterday morning and evening.

The church was prettily decorated for the occasion and both services were well attended. At the morning service, the pastor, Rev. N. W. Matthews, preached an instructive sermon, his text being, "What the Shepherds Found." The music was as follows: Prelude, "Gloria," from Mozart's twelfth mass, by J. E. Lett, organist, assisted by Joseph E. Fielding, violinist; anthems, "Awake, O Thou Strength," J. S. Fearis, and "Slug, O Heavens," J. S. Fearis, by the choir under the direction of Joseph E. Fielding; "The Lord's Anointed," Messrs. Joseph Willmot and N. W. Matthews, Jr. The usual Christmas hymns were heartily sung by the choir and congregation.

Worthington Street Baptist

At the Worthington Street Baptist church last evening, the annual Christmas exercises by the members of the Sunday school attracted a large congregation. The several numbers were well received, especially those by the junior members of the school. The decorations about the platform and pulpit were in keeping with the Christmas season. The pastor's topic for the evening was "The Spirit of Christmas."

IN HOUSE 22 YRS

Rep. Bartholdt of St. Louis to Retire When Present Term Expires

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Rep. Bartholdt of St. Louis, who has represented the tenth Missouri district in the house for 22 years, has issued a statement saying he will not be a candidate for re-election when his term expires in 1915. Only two other members of the house, Representative Payne of New York and Jones of Virginia, have longer service. Mr. Bartholdt expects to work for universal peace.

FUNERAL NOTICES

KELLENB.—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Kellenb. will take place tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from her home, 123 High street. At 9:30 a high mass of requiem will be sung at the Immaculate Conception church. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of J. P. O'Donnell & Sons.

WILKINSON.—The funeral of Mrs. J. M. Wilkin will take place Wednesday morning at 8:15 o'clock from her late home, 151 Coburn street. High mass of requiem at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Funeral Director James W. McKenna.

PITCHER IN PULPIT

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 22.—"Well, boys, I'm not used to pitching out of a box like this," Eugene Packard, left-hander twirler for the Cincinnati, said

when he substituted for the pastor at the Oakhurst Methodist church here last night. Packard, who lives in Kansas City, occupied the pulpit at a gathering to interest young men in an

anti-saloon campaign. "You boys may have some idea about baseball," Packard said. "I know, I did. You boys may never be major leaguers but if you have an ideal in

life and a determination to leave liquor and cigars alone you'll be a success in some business."

If you want help at home or in your business, try "The Sun" "Want" column.

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Gift Ideas for Christmas

Today our buyers are again in the market. Saturday we did such a large business that our stocks have to be brightened. This gives us a chance to clean out some of the wholesalers at a reduction. Come in and see what we offer, at low cash prices. The lots may be too small to advertise.

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CHRISTMAS SLIPPERS

Men's Sample Slippers at \$1.25—Regular prices \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.
Men's \$1.50 Slippers at 98c—Black and tan, Opera, Everett and Romeo style. All leathers.
Men's 75c Slippers at 49c—Black and tan leathers. All sizes.
Boys' \$1.50 Moccasins at \$1.25—Tan soft elk skin; hand sewed.
Boys' 50c Slippers at 39c—Black and tan leathers. All sizes.
Ladies' \$1.50 E. Z. Slippers at 98c—Soft felt slippers, cushion sole; plain and fancy colors.
Ladies' \$1.00 to \$1.50 Slippers at 69c—Felt Juliette, fur or ribbon trimmed, in red, black, brown, blue, wine and green.
Ladies' 75c to \$1.00 Slippers at 55c—Felt slippers, in plain and fancy colors, fur or ribbon trimmed.
Girls' 75c Slippers at 49c—Red and gray felt slippers, fur or fancy felt trimmed; sizes 5 to 12.
Girls' 50c Slippers at 25c—Crocheted slippers, in red, blue, pink and blue.

WOMEN'S BATHROBES

Styles Found Only Here

Blanket Robes of fancy colored double-faced materials; collar, cuffs and pockets trimmed with satin to match. Attractive combinations of all colors. \$4.49 and \$4.98.
Blanket Robes, made of fancy double-faced material in red, navy, brown, pink, gray and light blue. \$2.98, \$3.49 and \$3.98.

KIMONOS

Long Flannelette Kimonos, in all colors, satin trimmed, empire make. Christmas box \$1.69.
Long Flannelette Kimonos, fancy colors, large assortment of styles. Christmas box .98c and \$1.49.

CHILDREN'S WEAR

Wool Booties .10c to 75c
Worsted Socks .24c to 98c
Silk Hose .24c
Infants' Short White Dresses .24c to \$1.98
Worsted Sweaters, all colors, 24c to \$1.98
Cashmere Socks .24c to 98c
Angora Bonnets \$1.49 to \$1.98
Infants' White Coats, long and short, \$1.98 to \$4.98
Children's Angora Mittens .98c
Children's White Mittens .24c

GIFT ART GOODS

Batterberg Table Covers, small and large .49c to \$1.93
Batterberg Scarfs .49c to \$1.49
Bureau Scarfs and Table Covers, linen, 49c to 98c

GIFT LEATHER GOODS

Women's Morocco Hand Bags .49c and 98c
Women's Hand Bags, plain seal leather, 98c to \$1.98
Imported Novelty Beaded Bags, 98c to \$1.93
Silk Moire Bags, navy, black, brown, 98c to \$1.49
Children's Fancy Beaded Bags .24c
Children's Hand Bags, leather, in all colors .24c to 49c

GIFT HOSIERY

Women's Silk Hosiery, black, white and fancy colors .49c to 98c
Women's Fine Cashmere Hosiery .39c and 49c
Children's Fine Mercerized Hosiery, all colors .24c
Children's 2-in-2 Ribbed Hosiery, black, 24c
Children's Fine Cashmere Hosiery, all colors .24c

FANCY COMBS

Comb Sets, back and side, dark and amber .49c and 98c Set
Barrettes in black, gray and amber, 9c to 49c
Fancy Back Combs with brilliants, 49c and 98c
Infants' Toilet Sets, blue, pink and white, ivory back .24c and 49c

MEN'S FURNISHING DEPT.

Men's Negligee Shirts, 48c, 69c, 98c, \$1.50
Men's Flannel Shirts, khaki, gray and blue .98c, \$1.48, \$1.98
Men's Pajamas, seersucker, cheviot and flannelette .79c, \$1.00, \$1.50
Men's Night Shirts, flannelette, drill, 48c, 69c, 98c
Men's Arm Bands, in fancy boxes, 10c, 17c
Combination Sets—Arm Bands and Garters .25c, 48c, 75c, \$1.00
Combination Sets—Jewelry and Tie, \$1.00
Combination Sets—Tie, Hose, Handkerchiefs .48c, \$1.00
Combination Sets—Belt and Garters, 48c, \$1.00
Combination Sets—Cuffs, Buttons and Pin .25c, 48c
Men's Kid Gloves, lined and unlined, 79c, 98c, \$1.15, \$1.50
Men's Sweaters, ruff and V neck, all colors, 48c, 98c, \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.98, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.00, \$8.00.
Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas, mission and fancy handles, 48c, 69c, 98c, \$1.50, \$2.00
Men's Cane Umbrellas .50c
Men's Pure Irish Linen Initial Handkerchiefs .12c, 25c
Men's Initial Handkerchiefs, 4 for 25c and 3 for 25c
Men's Initial Handkerchiefs in fancy boxes, 6 in a box, for .50c
Men's Pure Irish Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, in fancy boxes, 6 in a box, for .75c
Men's Handkerchiefs .50c, 6 for 25c
Men's Jersey Ribbed Underwear, 38c, 48c
Men's Wool Underwear, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.50
Men's Union Suits .69c, 98c
Men's Silk Half Hose, all colors, 25c and 50c
Men's Wool Half Hose, all colors, 12c, 24c, 48c
Men's Cotton Half Hose, all colors, 7c, 10c, 12c
Men's Neckwear—Four-in-Hands .24c, 35c, 48c, 65c
Button-on Ties .10c, 24c, 48c
Band Ties .24c, 48c
Bow Ties .10c, 3 for 25c, and 25c
Men's Fur Caps .50c, \$1.00, \$2.00
Men's Golf Caps, 25c, 35c, 48c, 69c, \$1.00
Men's Soft Felt Hats, 98c, \$1.48, \$1.98, \$3.00
Men's Velour Hats .98c, \$1.98, \$3.00
Arrow Brand Collars, 2 for 25c, \$1.50 Box

GIFT APRONS

Fancy Tea Aprons, all styles, 24c, 49c, 59c, 75c, 98c
Fancy Sewing Aprons .24c and 49c
White Skirt Aprons .24c and 49c
Maid's and Waitresses Aprons, 24c and 49c
Gingham and Percale Kimono Aprons, 49c

GIFT MUSLIN UNDERWEAR

Night Gowns, of all styles and qualities, Christmas box .49c to \$1.98
Combinations to match gowns, 49c to \$1.98
Princess Slips, fine nainsook, 98c to \$1.49
Chemises made of nainsook .98c
Corset Covers, large assortment, 24c to 98c
Ladies' Cotton Drawers, humberg ruffled, 24c and 49c
Knitted Petticoats, gray, unbleached, and black .49c to 98c
Flannelette Petticoats, best quality, 24c and 49c
Flannelette Night Gowns .49c to 98c
Dressing Sacques, flannelette, 49c, 75c
All in Fancy Christmas Boxes

GIFT DOLLS

Largest assortment in Dress Dolls, Kid Body, Campbell and Fancy Dolls, 24c to \$2.50

GIFT JEWELRY

Pearl Beads, also Gold Neck Beads, 19c, 24c and 49c
Fancy Pendants, large assortment, 24c and 49c
Scarf Pins and Baby Pins .9c to 49c
Silver Coin and Vanity Purses, 24c to \$1.49
Silver Mesh Bags, safety lock, 49c to \$1.49
Long Silver Vanity Purses, at .98c

GIFT WAISTS and NECKWEAR

Ladies' Lingerie and Volee Waists, 98c to \$3.00
Ladies' Silk Waists .98c to \$5.00
Ladies' Net Waists .98c to \$5.00
Misses' Sweaters .98c to \$6.00
Ladies' Sweaters .98c to \$6.00
Ladies' Silk Quilted Vests .98c to \$1.48
Ladies' Petticoats .49c to \$3.00
Ladies' Neckwear .25c to \$3.00
Ladies' Belts .25c to \$1.50
Ladies' Raincoats .98c to \$8.00
Children's Raincoats .98c to \$1.98
Children's Raincoats and Hats .98c to \$3.98
Furs—Separate Muffs .98c to \$1.98 up
Separate Neckpieces .29c up
Sets .59c up

BOYS' FURNISHINGS

Boys' Negligee Shirts .35c, 45c
Boys' Sweaters, 48c, 98c, \$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.98
Boys' Suspender .10c, 15c, 25c
Boys' Winter Caps .25c, 45c
Boys' Hockey Caps in all the new colors .25c, 45c
Boys' Kid Gloves, lined or unlined, 48c, 75c, 98c
Boys' Heavy Leather Gloves, 10c, 25c, 48c
Boys' Wool Gloves .25c, 48c
Boys' Bow Ties .10c
Boys' Four-in-Hand Ties, 10c, 12c, 24c
Boys' Windsor Ties .25c
Boys' Union Suits .35c, 48c
Boys' Jersey and Pleece Lined Underwear .24c, 45c
Boys' Wool Underwear .45c
Boys' Wool Pleece Lined Underwear, Wright Health .45c

BRITISH ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Foster Slackhouse, who is organizing the British Antarctic expedition for next year, says 16 peers are among the 4800 applicants for places on the expedition, one peer being so eager to join that he has offered to become cook's "boy" if there is no other position for him.

PRES. VAIL TALKS REBEL CONTROL

Says Dissolution of the Gen. Villa; Impervious to Attack by Federals at Chihuahua Cause Reorganization

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—When the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. and when the Western Union company reach the parting of the ways, as provided for under the agreement reached with Attorney General McReynolds, there will not be the slightest need for the reorganization of the organization of either concern, according to a statement made by President Theodore Vail of the telephone company.

"We built up the mutual interests of the American company and the Western Union in such a way," Mr. Vail said, "that we did not encumber ourselves with an organization that would have to be broken up in case the companies should withdraw from the arrangement. In other words the organization of each concern was rigidly maintained and preserved and when they draw apart each will carry with it as perfect an organization as when the two entered into mutual relations."

The officials of the Western Union company are: Theodore N. Vail, president; Newcomb Carlton, vice president; William Baker, secretary, and A. K. Brewer, treasurer.

With the exception of Mr. Vail none of these men is an officer of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

KILLED BY HIS OWN TEAM

CROMPTON, R. I., Dec. 22.—Peter Brouillard, a teamster, was run over by his own team today and killed. While passing over a railroad crossing he was thrown from his seat under the wheels of the heavy truck, causing almost instant death. He was 50 years old.

XMAS

Hardware Hints

Pocket Knives... 10c to \$1.50
Scissors and Shears, 10c to \$1.00
Carving Sets, \$1.25 to \$5.00
Silver Plated Knives and Forks.....\$2.50, \$3.50
Set of 12 pieces.
White Handled Knives and Forks.....\$3.00, \$5.00
Set of 12 pieces
Safety Razors in variety, \$1 to \$5

Safety Razor Blades, 5c, 10c
Razors.....\$1, \$1.50, \$2.50
Strops.....25c to \$1.00
"Pike Comb, Sirop and Hone.....\$1.00
Shaving Soap, per cake 10c
Shaving Powder, can.....25c
Watches.....\$1, \$1.50, \$2
Sportsman's Tool Kit \$1.50
Thermometers, wood, glass, lin.

Food Choppers (Universal) 85c to \$5.00

X-Press Cars.....\$1 to \$5

Flexible Steering Sleds, 90c to \$2.50

Nail Hammers.....25c up

Screw Drivers.....10c up

Saws.....50c up

Wrenches.....20c up

Hand Drills.....\$1.25 up

Hockey Sticks.....10c to 35c

Skate Straps.....15c pair

Ice Creepers.....10c to 35c

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THE PHONE TRUST

Fight of Clarence Mackay Brought About Dissolution

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The principal reason that the president has decided not to recommend government ownership of wires is found in an agreement reached by the American



THEODORE N. VAIL, 2. CLARENCE MACKAY

Telephone and Telegraph company, commonly called the "telephone trust," through its vice president, N. C. Kingsbury, and Attorney General McReynolds. Here are the terms of the agreement in brief: (1) The company is to dispose of its holdings of stock in the Western Union Telegraph company; (2) It is not to acquire control over any other telephone line in the future; (3) It is to allow independent telephone companies of the country the use of its interstate wires. Pres. Theodore N. Vail of the American Telephone and Telegraph company believes the new plan will work out successfully. The fight of Clarence Mackay, head of the Postal Telegraph company, brought about the dissolution of the trust more than any other cause, it is stated here.

HURLED TO DEATH

Auto Fell Over Bridge and Woman Was Killed—Dropped 25 Feet

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—One person was killed and two were injured last night, when an automobile traveling along a driveway in upper Central park, dashed over the low stone coping of a bridge and dropped to a foot-path, 25 feet below.

Miss Tessie Fitzgerald, 25 years old, of Peekskill, N. Y., who was visiting Miss Frances Lyman here, had her car crushed against a rock and died instantly. Miss Lyman and another passenger in the car clung to a brass railing and were not thrown out, escaping with minor hurts. The chauffeur was uninjured and fled.

BIBLE SAVES MINISTER

BLAIRSVILLE, Penn., Dec. 22.—What is believed to have been a deliberate attempt to assassinate the Rev. Dr. B. B. McClure, pastor of the Blairsville United Presbyterian church and president of the Indiana County Anti-Saloon league, failed when a bullet fired at the minister penetrated a Bible which he carried under his arm, and made a slight abrasion upon Dr. McClure's left side.

The authorities are searching for two men, one of whom fired two shots at the clergyman and who dropped his hat in escaping.

AT ROGERS HALL

Students Have All Gone on Their Vacations—Some to the West

All the students of Rogers hall school have left this city for their homes all over the country, to spend the annual Christmas recess granted by the faculty. The girls at this school are allowed more time for their Christmas vacation than those of any other local institution and this year they will not return until January 6.

Some of the students are to travel as far west as Arkansas and Nebraska to spend their Christmas holidays and others will go south to Virginia or other states. Some of the undergraduates live within a day's journey from Lowell, however.

The long vacation makes it possible for the students living at distant parts to reach their homes for Christmas, without leaving school before the actual beginning of the vacation. Likewise, the recess has been arranged to permit the girls to remain at their homes at least as late as New Year's day, so that even those who live near the Pacific coast will have over a week at home.

GIVE \$8,000,000

Charitable Gifts and Donations in U. S. During Last 12 Months

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Charitable gifts and donations to educational institutions in the United States during the last 12 months amount to over \$8,000,000, or at the rate of \$2.91 for every tick of the clock, according to a compilation published here today. The bequest of Benjamin Altman, valued at \$16,000,000, to the Metropolitan museum of New York, heads the list and the gift of \$10,000,000 by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to put an end to "white slavery" is second. Colonel O. P. Palm's gift of \$4,350,000 to Cornell comes next in size and is followed by E. S. Thompson's gift of \$3,655,000 to Princeton university. Andrew Carnegie's 15 donations aggregated \$3,634,000 and the next largest gift was \$3,000,000, the sum given to Washington and Lee university by Robert P. Doremus.

NOT GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Secretary Garrison has learned informally that Attorney General McReynolds, probably will rule that John Burke, manager of the commissary department of the Panama railroad, whose transactions are under investigation, is an employee of a private corporation and not a government official. Such a ruling means that if the charges that Burke accepted gratuities from some contractors from whom commissary supplies were bought should be sustained Burke can be proceeded against civilly by the Panama railroad.

Meanwhile the investigation of Burke's dealings with contractors is being pushed by the Isthmian canal commission.

WATCH FOR MEXICAN GENERAL

PRISIDIO, Texas, Dec. 22.—United States troops patrolling the border are watching today for General Salvador Mercado, deposed commander of the Mexican federal troops who was reported to have crossed over to the American side from Ojinaga, possibly with a view of making his way to Mexico City. It was not believed Mercado would be arrested should he be found in this country as he was said to have traveled as a civilian.

NAT. SUFFRAGE ASSOCIATION

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Medill McCormick of Chicago has accepted the chairmanship of the congressional committee of the National Suffrage association. This announcement was made at suffrage headquarters today. It was said that Mrs. McCormick would go to Washington at once.

GREAT SMOKE SALE

AT

J. A. Desrosiers & Co., 526 MERRIMACK STREET

\$35,000 Stock of Clothing and Furnishing Goods to Be Sacrificed

First of all we owe an apology to the persons who were kind enough to come into our place but could not be waited upon, on account of the tremendous rush we had last Saturday. Hope they will give us another chance by coming in again, as we have added a large selling force. Now we want to thank the public in general for responding so largely to our SMOKE SALE—due to the extra big bargains we are offering at this time of the season—a chance of a lifetime to get nice clean merchandise as almost 50c on the dollar. Bear in mind that our guarantee goes with all merchandise sold—money refunded if desired.

Follow the Crowd. Get a Share of the Bargains
Christmas Goods at Cut Prices

MEN'S AND YOUNG MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS

\$6.50 and \$7.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price.....\$3.95	\$12.50 and \$15.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price.....\$7.95
\$7.50 and \$8.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price.....\$4.95	\$15.00 and \$18.50 Suits and Overcoats, and quite a few odds and ends and small lots of \$18.00 lines, all sizes, big variety. Smoke sale price.....\$9.95
\$8.50 and \$9.00 Suits and Overcoats, and odds and ends of \$10.00 lots—we've put them all in one lot. Smoke sale price.....\$5.95	\$18.00 and \$20.00 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price.....\$12.95
\$10.00 and \$12.50 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price.....\$6.95	\$22.00 and \$24.50 Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price.....\$14.95

VERY SPECIAL—25 Overcoats, dark brown, diagonal, \$15.00 grade. While they last.....\$8.95

BOYS' SUITS AND OVERCOATS

\$2.50 and \$3.50 Boys' Suits. Smoke sale price.....\$1.85
\$4.00 and \$5 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price, \$2.95
\$5.00 and \$6 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price, \$3.95
\$7 and \$7.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price, \$4.95
\$8 and \$8.50 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price, \$5.95
\$9 and \$10 Boys' Suits and Overcoats. Smoke sale price, \$6.95

This is the best chance to dress your boys for Christmas at a small cost, with up to date merchandise.

RAINCOATS

\$6.00 Raincoats. Smoke sale price.....\$3.95
\$7.50 Raincoats. Smoke sale price.....\$4.95
\$12.50 Raincoats. Smoke sale price.....\$7.95
\$15.00 Raincoats. Smoke sale price.....\$9.95

If you are in need of a Raincoat now is your chance.

FURNISHING GOODS

SWEATERS

50c Sweaters. Smoke sale price.....39c
\$1.00 Sweaters. Smoke sale price.....79c
\$3.00 Sweaters. Smoke sale price.....\$1.98
\$3.50 Sweaters. Smoke sale price.....\$2.29
\$5.00 Sweaters. Smoke sale price.....\$3.39
\$6.00 Sweaters. Smoke sale price.....\$4.79
\$7.00 Sweaters. Smoke sale price.....\$5.49

Extra big line in all prices.

UNDERWEAR

50c Heavy Jersey Ribbed Underwear. Smoke sale price.....39c
75c Heavy Pile Lined Underwear. Smoke sale price.....48c
95c Heavy Wool Lined Underwear. Smoke sale price.....59c
\$1.00 Jersey Ribbed Union Suits. Smoke sale price.....69c
\$1.50 Heavy Ribbed Union Suits, extra quality. Smoke sale price 98c

SHIRTS

50c and 50c Shirts. Smoke sale price.....39c
75c Shirts. Smoke sale price.....48c
95c Shirts. Smoke sale price.....59c
All Flannel Shirts Cut Down.

NECKWEAR

50c and 75c Neckwear. Smoke sale price.....42c
50c Neckwear. Smoke sale price.....35c
25c and 35c Neckwear. Smoke sale price.....21c

A big assortment of Neckwear, Arm Bands, Garters, Suspenders, combinations of all kinds at very low prices.

15c Hose. Smoke sale price.....9c, 3 for 25c

25 dozen of Heavy Blue Drill Overalls, 60c quality; while they last, at.....43c

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MEXICAN DIPLOMAT CHEERED

TOKIO, Dec. 22.—Francisco De La Barra, former provisional president of Mexico and now acting as special envoy to Japan to thank her for her participation in the Mexican centennial, was greeted with an ovation by the state dignitaries, officers of the army and navy, prominent business men and the public generally on his arrival today. A big crowd outside the railroad station formed lines and cheered the Mexican diplomat as he was driven to his hotel in a court carriage. Another crowd welcomed him on his arrival at the hotel. An elaborate program has been arranged for his entertainment and the emperor is to give a banquet in his honor on Christmas day.

ARCTIC SHIP FROZEN IN

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 22.—Notwithstanding the publication of interviews with persons who say they believe that Vilhjalmur Stefansson's Arctic ship Karluk under command of Captain Robert Bartlett must be lost, Stefansson's friends on the coast are not alarmed. When the expedition sailed Stefansson hoped the Karluk would not be clutched by the ice until it had attained a considerable distance northeast of Point Barrow. However, he found the ice close to the point and entered a lead with the intention of being frozen in. The ship was frozen in and is supposed to be drifting with the ice.

The danger always present in a lead is that its sides will close and crush the boat.

ABOLISH DRINKING AT PRINCETON

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 22.—The latest development in the movement favored by the senior council to abolish drinking at Princeton is the decision of the senior class to rule out beer from the class dinner. Fresh impetus has now been given to the movement by Dean McClennahan, who announces that the university authorities would hold to strict account the proprietor of any drinking place in Princeton who sold liquor to minors.

That Weak Back

accompanied by pain here or there—extreme nervousness—sleeplessness—may be faint spells—or spasms—all are signals of distress for a woman. She may be growing from girlhood into womanhood—passing from womanhood to motherhood—or later suffering from that change into middle life which leaves so many wrecks of women. At any or all of these periods of a woman's life she should take a tonic and nerve prescribed for just such cases by a physician of vast experience in the diseases of women.

DR. PIERCE'S Favorite Prescription

has successfully treated more cases in past forty years than any other known remedy. It can now be had in sugar-coated, tablet form as well as in the liquid. Sold by medicine dealers or trial box by mail on receipt of 50 cents in stamps.

Miss Elizabeth Loring of Berkeley, Cal., in a recent letter to Dr. Pierce said: "I was completely broken down health, I wasaching and had pain all over my body and was so nervous that I could scarcely get to sleep. I had the good fortune to meet a nurse who had been cured by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I have never had an occasion to consult a physician since—I am in excellent health."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate stomach, liver and bowels—sugar-coated, they granules

CHRISTMAS PIANOS

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NEW UPRIGHT PIANOS, \$110 UP
PLAYER-PIANOS, \$350 UP
USED UPRIGHT PIANOS, \$45 UP

Terms as Low as \$1.00 a Week. No Interest Charged.

RING'S PIANOS ARE BEST
110 Merrimack Street.
OPEN EVERY EVENING TILL CHRISTMAS

ABLE PASTORAL LETTER

Issued by Cardinal O'Connell
and Read in Catholic Churches
Yesterday

The pastoral letter of His Eminence, Cardinal O'Connell, read in all the Catholic churches of the diocese yesterday dealt with the glory of parenthood, and held up the sanctity of the home at Nazareth as the model for Christian parents. The letter deals also with the obligation of parents to give their children a religious education, on which point His Eminence says:

"The absence of the religious motive in the system of education generally prevailing in our country has resulted in the undermining of that respect for authority which is a necessary condition for the observance of law. Parental authority has been shattered to a degree that is alarming, until it may be said that in a large percentage of homes it is not the parents, but the children who rule."

The letter in part was as follows: To the Reverend Clergy and People of the Diocese, Health and Benediction:

Once again God brings us face to face with the mystery of Christmas. Once again our Holy Mother, the Church, summons us to go over to Bethlehem to see the wonder that has come to pass, and at the same time to hear the depth of its meaning.

We kneel again with the astonished shepherds before the humble manger, which the wisdom of God has made the throne of love from which His Son shall teach and rule the world.

With adoring hearts we gaze upon the sweetness and tenderness of Infinite Love made visible in the Divine Babe, who to the appealing helplessness of infancy unites the power that sustains the world. With reverent admiration we look upon the radiant ecstasy of the Virgin Mother and the anxious solicitude of the protecting foster-father.

Of the depth of the riches of the wisdom of God!

What King ever had such throne-room as a stable! Yet to the stable of Bethlehem every year the human race makes pilgrimage, and at the feet of the Infant royalty lays down its sceptre, genuflects its laurel wreath—every worshiper his heart.

Through all the glory and noise of the world accompany us, yet we are conscious of three figures only, Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

The Family

Many and profound were the purposes which the Son of God had in coming to earth and linking our human nature. And surely one of the dearest was to teach and far-reaching that the might regenerate the family and put it for all time on its right basis. His redeeming grace, won for all on Calvary, touches the spiritual soul directly, regenerates it, mystifies it. But in the plan of God's providence the family is the nursery in which the tender plants, given life and nourishment by God, grow up into mature strength and beauty.

The creator might have called into existence the race of men as He called into being the angelic hosts—each individual possessing at the moment of creation the powers of perfect maturity.

But He did not so will. In His infinite wisdom, knowing what was to be in the heart He willed to create. He gave so that what was tenderest, most lovable and most holy would be developed and conserved through the institution of the family—father, mother and children—the earthly triad which, in the distinctness of its personalities and the unity of its common life, should be a beautiful, if remote, reflection of the Holy Trinity.

In like manner, the Son of God when He came to earth, might be expected to form for Himself a perfect body in the full enjoyment of maturity, and to take that human form to Himself. But He did not choose so to do. He chose rather to become a babe; to take from the pure flesh of the Virgin Mother that precious body that was to draw from the reservoir of her immaculate heart the blood that one day should pour itself out in a rich tide of redemption. Who does not see in this choice the infinite wisdom of God? And who does not see what the Incarnate Son of God would teach us by being born into a home, by growing up in a home, by submitting Himself to the restraints and laws of family life?

He would focus the attention of the world upon the family. He would set up for the imitation of all generations the perfect family. He became a child himself, that he might sanctify child-hood; that he might win for him-

self the heart of every child and keep it holy; and that, ever remembering the Babe of Bethlehem, the Child of Egypt, the Boy of Nazareth, he might know that Childhood is a most sacred state, that it belongs to God, that God watches over it with a divine jealousy, and that his wrath will strike all who make themselves a stumbling block to it.

The Holy Family

Christian fathers and mothers, study the pattern that is set up for you. The Son of God Himself has come to earth to teach you. The holiest, loveliest of earth's daughters, the sinless Virgin, the Immaculate Mother, He gives to Christian mothers to inspire, sustain and embolden them in the unwearied discharge of duties highly conceived and nobly performed even at the cost of constant sacrifice.

The Model Home

The home at Nazareth is the model for every Christian home. To you, too, Christian fathers and mothers, God has entrusted a priceless treasure, the product of His creative power, a child. This child, who through the expanse of eternity has been in the thought and love of the Creator, bears within him the likeness of the Creator; by adoption he is the child of God; he is the brother of Jesus Christ and co-heir with Him to an eternal kingdom in the heavens.

The First Teacher

The mother is the first, the most persuasive and the most effective, because the most loved, teacher. The child is all her own during the years when it is most docile, entirely trustful and easy to mold as wax. It is her high privilege, as it is her most solemn obligation, to put a deep and tender love of God, of Jesus and His Blessed Mother into the heart of her child before even it leaves the family sheepfold for the instruction of church and school.

If she fails in this, she is guilty of a heinous crime against the soul of her own child. Under the pretence that the child is too young to understand religion, she has thrown away a priceless opportunity; she has allowed the dawning of the soul's Springtime to pass without sowing those seeds of virtue which would have had all the quicker and more fruitful growth because planted in a virgin soil with no weed to choke or hostile influence to blight it.

The School

The education of the child, which is its training for full and useful life, begins in the home and, until the school age is reached, is entirely what its parents make it. Parents are the divinely appointed teachers of their children. Upon them rests the responsibility for the proper development of the mind and the formation of the character of their offspring. They cannot shift this heavy responsibility to others. If they themselves are unable to give the training that will properly fit their children for their place in human society, they may delegate their authority to others who will teach in their stead, but even then, they cannot divest themselves of the obligation of a personal supervision of their children.

Need of Parental Example

Even when the child has the advantage of being educated in a religious school, it remains the function of the home to give force and point to the lessons in virtue and religion learned in the classroom. There must be no contradiction between what the child learns in the school and what he sees in the home. Let fathers and mothers strive with scrupulous care to reproduce in their own home, so far as it is possible for them, the dear religious atmosphere of the holy home of Nazareth. In every Catholic family, let God have what is His right—first place, always. His strict right—first place, always. His spirit of prayer, let patience and gentleness, purity and sobriety, charity and sweet affection be the very air which your children shall breathe.

The Child in the Secular School

If such care is needed in the home, even when the child is surrounded with safeguards and the help which the religious school furnishes in such abundance, what multiplied solicitude, what unceasing vigilance, what added personal work are not required when the child is deprived of the advantages of

a religious education in the school, and when the task of his spiritual formation is thrown almost entirely on the parents.

The short hour in the Sunday school is altogether insufficient to give the child the grasp of the doctrines and principles of our holy religion. But, later in life, will be proof against the temptations to unbelief or religious indifference.

The work of the Sunday school must be supplemented by the work of the parents; and if the parents feel themselves unequal to giving extended instruction in the teachings of the church, let them at least be rigorous in requiring their children to study thoroughly at home the weekly catechism lesson, and let them form in their children from their earliest years the habit of regular reading of Catholic books and papers suited to their age and needs.

Let these parents remember that the formation of the mind on the lines of Catholic principles and doctrines is only a part of religious education; the heart of the child must be drawn to love God more and more, and his will strengthened to keep God's law ever more and more perfectly.

Catholic parents must strive all the more resolutely to put into the hearts of their children reverence for God's holy law and for all that pertains to Him, because irreverence towards holy things and contemptuous disregard of all authority, human and divine, are crying sins of our age and country.

The absence of the religious motive in the system of education generally prevailing in our country has resulted in the undermining of that respect for authority which is a necessary condition for the observance of the law. Parental authority has been shattered to a degree that is alarming, until it may be said that in a large percentage of homes it is not the parents but the children who rule.

From disregard of parental rule to disregard of civil and divine law is a logical step. And underneath it all is one of the false principles of our times, that the individual is supreme, and that what the individual likes and wishes is, for him, the law of conduct.

Dignity of Parents

Christian parents, recall to yourselves again and again the high vocation to which you are called. In a true sense you are "holy priesthood," for you are called to offer to God a chaste generation of holy souls.

If you are full of that high office you yourselves must be holy. You yourselves must set the example of every virtue which you wish to see shine in your children. Example is the most potent teacher. Virtue has its contagion, as well as vice, and looking daily at the pattern of your lives your children will unconsciously imitate you.

Be not discouraged by the difficulties or the length of your work. Remember that you will save your own soul if you save the souls of your children. God will not be wanting. He who came to earth to set up the type of the perfect family is with us always in the form of the Holy Spirit, and He will give you power to make your home a nursery of virtue and a vestibule of heaven.

Here, therefore, is the lesson of Christ to the Christian family at this blessed time of His coming as a babe in Bethlehem.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

B. F. Keith's Theatre

A rural comedy with the tang of the west to it, will be in the spotlight at the B. F. Keith theatre this week. It will be the big joyous feature of Christmas week, and predictions are that it will prove to be the most successful of any comedy act seen here in a long time. Fred J. Arath, a Chicago comedian with a dazzling reputation, has brought to Lowell the best and its premiere performance will be made in this city. It is based upon the three-act comedy called "Sally," which secured so well a few years ago. The name of the new piece is "Hiram on the Farm" and it is filled, not only with rural comedy, but it holds a story which concerns the stranding of a big game company on an Indiana farm. This piece ought to strike the funny bones of Lowell theatregoers. It is one of the best liked and most entertaining of the Middle western stage shows.

The Bryan-Summers company, two men and a woman, have a witty, sparkling and original musical comedy known as "A College Proposition." Charles F. Senon, "that rarer fellow" will once more delight audiences with his unusual comedy. Senon is noted, far and wide, for his lack of symmetry. He is built along the lines of the proverbial bean pole, only he is stouter and thinner than most of them.

Mlle. Jeanne Longenotte, the noted Italian protean artist and character comedian, will present a wonderful gallery of racial portraits.

Raymond and Vance in "Fun at the Seashore" have the usual sort of fun-time variety, with plenty of puns, music thrown into it. The two Emly sisters, youthful, daring aerialists will open the bill well.

Stickney's Circus is one of the recognized Christmas acts. There isn't a child but who will want to see the little ponies, the pet dogs and the funny acts. It is in such a reduced scale, and one that will make the hearts of the kiddies quiver with joy. The Pathé Weekly pictures will be presented as heretofore. Seats for any performance during the week should be ordered as far in advance as possible.

THE PLAYHOUSE

"A Trip to the Sun" will entertain Playhouse audiences this week, with "The Sunshine Girls" and the Landers Brothers as the purveyors of melody and mirth. Special security and augmented company are promised in connection with this production. Comedian Hanson, known throughout the burlesque world as an performer, has been engaged to assist the Landers, and his work will form a conspicuous feature in the fun department. Miss Thome, a dainty little woman, is among the new members of the chorus, and her songs will add to the gaiety and charm of the musical program. Miss Sutherland and Miss Glasco, whose songs have been so pleasing, will continue to entertain. Living pictures will be posed by Arline Joy and Margaret Sullivan. A spectacular feature is the "Devil scene" in which all of the women of the chorus wear red devil suits. Performance afternoon and evening. Telephone 511.

DON'T EAT RAW MEAT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—To prevent the spread of trichinosis, a dread disease little known to the American people, the department of agriculture last night issued a warning against the consumption of raw or uncooked pork products, the declared source of the malady.

In many districts of the country, particularly those with large foreign populations, the statement said, large quantities of pork are consumed during the Christmas season, resulting frequently in cases of seriously impaired health, if not in fatalities.

PRESIDENT IN GOOD FORM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson had the glow of health on his cheeks and looked as well as ever when he met the Washington correspondents at a regular Monday morning conference today for the first time in several weeks.

STEAMER ARRIVES

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 22.—Arrives steamer Prefectin, Glasgow.

VISITS PRESIDENT

Sir Cecil Spring-Rice,
British Ambassador,
at Washington Today

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, called on President Wilson today for the first time since last spring. The ambassador has only recently recovered from a long illness. He presented a copy of an embossed address to the president from the people of Chelsea, England. In that town the mother of the president was born and there, from 1850 to 1855, the president's grandfather, the Rev. Thomas Woodrow, was pastor of the Congregationalist church.

Julius Westerland, the French ambassador, introduced to the president today the new military attaché of the French embassy, Captain de Sauvigny.

IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CHRISTMAS SERVICES—SPECIAL PROGRAMS ARRANGED

All the Holy Name societies of this city are making preparations for the union service which will be held at St. Michael's church on the feast of the Holy Name, Jan. 15. The preacher for the occasion will be Rev. James J. McCarthy, state chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, who is universally known as a brilliant pulpit orator.

Immaculate Conception

The parish mass at the Immaculate Conception church yesterday was celebrated by Rev. F. O'Brien, O. M. I. There was no sermon, but the pastoral letter from Cardinal O'Connell was read.

In the afternoon a meeting of the Junior branch of the Children of Mary sodality was held. This meeting had been called by the spiritual director, Rev. Fr. Sullivan, O. M. I., for the purpose of having the final report on the embroidery sale which was held last week at the Y. M. C. I. rooms. The various tables gave returns which showed that the result was far better than expected. Fr. Sullivan complimented the girls for the decorations and it was decided to make this sale an annual event. On Christmas day the masses will be celebrated at 6, 7, 30, 8, 9 and 10 and solemn high mass at 11.

St. Patrick's

The masses on Christmas day at St. Patrick's church will be celebrated at 6, 7, 30, 8, 9 and 10 and solemn high mass, which will be solemn at 11 o'clock. Confessions will be heard on Wednesday afternoon and evening. The Holy Name society is making preparations for the union service and it is expected that this society will be as largely represented at the service as any other similar organization of the city.

A gang of men is now employed at the factory in laying a fresh coating of paint and several other alterations are under way. The interior of the building will be given altogether a new appearance.

St. Joseph's

Rev. J. H. Racette, O. M. I., Ph. D., pastor of St. Joseph's parish, spoke at all the masses at St. Jean Baptiste church yesterday and his talk was in the line of congratulations to the parishioners for the success of the recent events conducted for the rebuilding of the church. He announced that on Christmas day the masses will be the same as on Sunday.

St. Michael's

The Holy Name society of St. Michael's parish held an important meeting last night and considerable business was transacted. The members were addressed by the spiritual director, Rev. Fr. Mullin, who spoke on the coming union service to be held at this church, and preparations were completed for the said service.

The masses at St. Michael's on Christmas day will be at the usual Sunday hours, 6, 30, 8, 9 and 10, the latter to be a solemn service. Solemn vesper services will be held at 7 o'clock.

St. Margaret's

The committee in charge of the annual reunion of the members of St. Margaret's parish are hustling on the

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arrangements for the event which will be held at Associate hall on Jan. 15, and according to reports the affair will be the most successful ever conducted in that parish.

Tomorrow afternoon St. Elizabeth's guild will hold its annual Christmas tree at St. Peter's church and the 120 children of the institution will be provided each with a suitable gift. Refreshments will be served and an entertainment program will be supplied by the children of the institution.

St. Peter's

Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan, celebrated high mass at St. Peter's church yesterday and Rev. Jean P. Burns read the announcements. In place of the customary sermon the pastoral letter from the cardinal was read. On Christmas day the masses will be as on Sunday, but the 6 o'clock mass will be a high mass and the 11 o'clock a solemn high service.

Notre Dame de Lourdes

The high mass at Notre Dame de Lourdes church yesterday was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Leon Lamotte, O. M. I., while the cardinal's pastoral letter was read by Rev. J. B. A. Baratte, O. M. I. The quarterly communion of the men of the parish will be held next Sunday at the 7:30 o'clock mass. The Cadets as well as the members of the Garde Sacre-Coeur will attend in their full regalia and the mass will be a military service. At the conclusion of the service breakfast will be served in the school hall. In the evening a reunion of the men will take place at the church and an appropriate sermon will be delivered by Rev. Fr. Baratte, O. M. I.

Sacred Heart

The children of Sacred Heart parish were royally entertained by the pastor, Very Rev. T. Wade Smith, O. M. I., yesterday afternoon, when a Christmas tree was held in the lower church. The affair took place at 2:30 o'clock and was attended by 250 young ones, who were each presented with suitable gifts.

It is needless to say that the boys and girls' hearts thumped when they saw the large Christmas tree, which had been installed in a corner of the temple. The pastor in very appropriate terms extended his Christmas greetings to his little friends and at the conclusion of his address, which was listened to with great interest, the gifts were distributed by the pastor and his assistants.

The masses Christmas day at this church will be celebrated on the same time as Sundays, 6, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11, the latter to be a solemn service.

BOY KILLED BY AUTO

Sad Accident in Which Merrill Woodward Lost His Life—Was Struck by Nashua Auto

A fatal accident occurred in North Chelmsford yesterday afternoon, when a nine-year-old boy, Merrill Woodward, son of Otis Woodward of the same village, was accidentally killed by an automobile owned and operated by George L. Erb, of Nashua, N. H. The driver of the auto was later taken to the local police station, where he was booked for manslaughter.

The accident occurred on the road that runs from North Chelmsford to Tynesboro, and those who witnessed it said it was unavoidable on the part of the chauffeur. The boy, it is said, was playing in the road with companions, when in order to get out of the way of an oncoming automobile he ran into the path of the other. The chauffeur applied the emergency brakes, but the distance was too short and the boy was struck and thrown to the ground. He was picked up in an unconscious condition and removed to the residence of Dr. Farney, and Dr. James Hoban was called, but the boy died despite all that the physician could do, death being due to internal injuries and a fracture of the skull.

MOUSTACHES ARE CONDEMNED

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Moustaches from an economic point of view were discussed by the boss barbers of Harlem at a meeting last night. The fad of raising the upper lip adornments was condemned and the recent royal comment of the Kaiser that Germans must not shave off their moustaches and thereby become effeminate was blamed for the waste of four minutes, the extra time required, it was said, to shave around the edges of a moustache.

In the evening vesper services will be held and a feature of the solemnity will be a procession to the crib in which over 650 children will take part.

The members of the Holy Name society at their last meeting held their second smoke talk of the season and the affair was largely attended. The prizes for the recent wheat and forty-five tournament were distributed and luncheon was served, the affair coming to a close with a varied entertainment program, those taking part being John Devlin, George Kerwin, Maurice O'Donnell of Billerica and Mr. Keefe, who delighted his audience with a saxophone solo. Remarks were made by the spiritual director, Rev. Fr. Flynn, O. M. I., and Rev. Fr. Wood, and McDermott, O. M. I.

The Sun noon edition is on sale at all newsstands.

JOB GOES A BEGGING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Uncle Sam has one job that apparently is going a-begging. The place calls for an expert needlewoman to mend tattered and historic flags at West Point military academy. "Thus far no one seems to have cared for the position."

The civil service commission recently sent broadcast application blanks for examinations for the vacancy from which it was hoped a large number of applicants might be secured. Although the position carries a salary of \$3 a day, not a single person had applied for the place. The commission has about reached the conclusion that there is either a scarcity of needlewomen or the pay is not sufficiently attractive.

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FAVORED LIQUOR

N. H. Passed an Act Encouraging Manufacture of it in 1792

That New Hampshire, in the early days, encouraged the manufacture of malt liquors is conclusively borne out in the following communication, addressed to "Observant Citizen" in The Manchester Union:

Observant Citizen: The history of a country is written in its laws and nowhere, perhaps, are the changes of the progress and civilization of a community indicated with greater certainty than in the acts of its law-making body chosen by the people, and where the representatives come fresh from their constituents at each succeeding session. Their acts are really the pulse of the people, quickening or growing slow as the moral sense of the community advances or recedes.

No more interesting study presents itself to our consideration than our state laws and the acts passed by the legislatures of our state for the past century. As a curious and striking instance of the changes which have taken place in the sentiments of our people I here send you an exact copy of an act to encourage the manufacture of malt liquors which can be found in the general laws of New Hampshire, published by authority of the state in the year 1792.

Yours Truly,
Y. J. Brennan.

Breweries Once Popular

"An Act to Encourage the Manufacture of Malt Liquors: Whereas, the manufacture of malt liquors in this state will tend to promote agriculture, stimulate the use of ardent spirits, and preserve the morals and health of the people. Therefore:

"Be it enacted by the senate and house of representatives in general court, convened. That if any person or persons shall hereafter within this state erect, or if already erected, shall continue any buildings or other works for the manufacture of malt liquors, or if any person or persons shall hereafter erect, or having already erected, shall continue any buildings or other works for the brewing of malt liquors, and shall actually use and occupy them for the aforesaid purposes, all such buildings and works, together with the stock used therein, and the yards adjacent to, and occupied for the aforesaid purposes, shall be exempted from all taxes of every kind and nature that may be assessed under the authority of this state, and the owner or owners of such works or buildings are used for the purposes aforesaid, shall be exempted from all poll-taxes; and shall also have an abatement annually in his, or her, or their taxes, for as many poll-taxes as he, she, or they shall in the opinion of the selectmen of the town when such works are, or shall be erected, usually employ of apprentices or workmen in said manufactures liable to pay poll-taxes.

Provided: That this act shall continue and be in force for the term of ten years from the passing thereof and no longer.

This act passed Dec. 22, 1792."

MR. JAMES A. SULLIVAN

Attached to the Federal Immigration Bureau to be Located at Providence, R. I.

Mr. James A. Sullivan, formerly of this city, but for some years past attached to the federal immigration bureau as inspecting and investigator, in matters pertaining to the work of the department was in this city Saturday. He has been stationed at New Bedford, but will hereafter, or until further notice, be located at Providence, R. I.

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BRUSH FIRES SUNDAY

Fire Department Kept Busy by Several Telephone Alarms—Four Threatening Blazes Quickly Extinguished

The fire department was kept on the jump yesterday with several brush fires, none of which, however, did very much damage. Marshall road, first street, Alken street dump and the field opposite the brewery were all visited by a threatening blaze but the quick work of the firemen soon extinguished the flames.

LINCOLNS BEAT SUPERBAS

Minor League Game Was Fast—Jenkins and Register Were the High Men

The Superbas went down in defeat Saturday before their minor league opponents, the Lincoln, by a score of 1131 to 1240, losing all three strings. Register of the Lincoln was high man with a total of 216. Jenkins, a team-mate, rolled the high single of 100. The score:

Lincolns—Chadwick, 263; Jenkins, 275; McCall, 233; Register, 216; Marshall, 254; total, 1241.
Superbas—Jenkins, 229; O'Brien, 251; Calvert, 267; Underwood, 235; Schomborn, 242; total, 1240.

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BRUSH FIRES SUNDAY

Fire Department Kept Busy by Several Telephone Alarms—Four Threatening Blazes Quickly Extinguished

The fire department was kept on the jump yesterday with several brush fires, none of which, however, did very much damage. Marshall road, first street, Alken street dump and the field opposite the brewery were all visited by a threatening blaze but the quick work of the firemen soon extinguished the flames.

LINCOLNS BEAT SUPERBAS

Minor League Game Was Fast—Jenkins and Register Were the High Men

The Superbas went down in defeat Saturday before their minor league opponents, the Lincoln, by a score of 1131 to 1240, losing all three strings. Register of the Lincoln was high man with a total of 216. Jenkins, a team-mate, rolled the high single of 100. The score:

Lincolns—Chadwick, 263; Jenkins, 275; McCall, 233; Register, 216; Marshall, 254; total, 1241.
Superbas—Jenkins, 229; O'Brien, 251; Calvert, 267; Underwood, 235; Schomborn, 242; total, 1240.

SPECIAL NOTICES

ALL THE BARGAINS IN NEW ENGLAND combined, is not as great as the one offered in a beautiful upright piano, at 101 Westford st.

THE GREATEST OF ALL THINGS advertised, is the bargain in an upright piano which W. P. Crumwell is offering this week. Call tomorrow and see it. 101 Westford st.

CARD READING—PAST, PRESENT and future; 10c and 25c. Madame Cory, 379 Bridge st., cor. Third st., room 1.

11TH HOUR ARRESTS STOVE, for lighting or repairing chimneys, for sale at all stove dealers, 15 and 25 cent boxes.

LOUIS FOX, DEALER IN SECOND HAND furniture of all kinds bought, sold and exchanged. 185 Middlesex st.

CASH PAID FOR SECOND HAND furniture of all kinds, large or small lots. T. P. Muldoon, 500 Central st.

STOVE REPAIRS, LININGS, GRATES, centers and other parts for all stoves and ranges carried in stock; work done in small families and large ones. Size of stove, or telephone 470. Quinn Furniture Co., 160 Middlesex st.

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THE SUN IN BOSTON—THE SUN IS on sale every day at both newsstands at the Union station. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

SITUATIONS WANTED

SITUATION WANTED AS PORTER or janitor; knows cleaning from A to Z; best references from Lowell people. Louis Brooks, Hotel Rockingham, city.

WORK WANTED FOR A WOMAN, washing, ironing, or housework. Apply 1, rear of 81 Rock st.

POSITION AS COOK WANTED BY American, where there is second girl; preferred; but would do general housework, if necessary. Write to Mrs. Jessie Pierce, 35 Summer st., Nashua, N. H. Tel. 753-M.

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\$175,000 LOSS

3 Hurt in Blaze That Destroyed Worcester Department Store

WORCESTER, Dec. 22.—Fire took a heavy toll of Santa Claus here yesterday morning when flames swept the seven-story annex of the C. P. Sherer company department store, filled with holiday stock, damaged the main store and adjoining buildings, and for a while threatened the whole retail district with destruction.

The total loss will reach \$175,000, nearly half of this being of special Christmas goods, including many thousands of dollars' worth of toys.

It took four hours of hard fighting, during which three firemen were severely hurt and five overcome with smoke, before the blaze was under control.

The firemen were handicapped by the fact that the fire seemed to have been smoldering four hours before it was discovered and the four top floors of the building were spouting flames

from every window before a single stream of water could be put on.

The main Sherer store, at the corner of Front and Commercial streets, faces Worcester common and thousands stopped on their way to church and padded the open space to watch the showiest conflagration this city has had for years. The presence of the big crowd in this section of the city, when the fire was first discovered at 9:20, greatly hampered the firemen.

The heat was so great that all attempts to save the annex were abandoned and the firemen turned their efforts to saving the main store and the adjoining Chase office building. The latter caught several times and was only saved by a desperate fight.



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SLIPPERS
HANDKERCHIEFS

NECKTIES
SWEATERS
SUITS CASES
BATH ROBES
TOILET CASES
UMBRELLAS

Practical Christmas Suggestions from the Housefurnishing Dept.

HIGH GRADE NICKELWARE	
Teapots, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.38, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.50 and \$2.75.	
Coffee Pots, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.38, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.98	
Coffee Percolators, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.25	
Coffee Machines, \$5.25 and \$6.49	
Crumb Tray and Brush, 50c and 98c	
Bread Plate, \$1.98	
Serving Dishes, \$3.75 and \$4.49	
Casseroles, \$1.39, \$1.98, \$2.19, \$2.49, \$2.98, \$3.75, \$3.98 and \$4.98.	
Chafing Dishes, \$4.98, \$6.49, \$6.98, \$7.50, \$8.98	
ALUMINUM WARE	
Teapots, \$1.65, \$1.80, \$1.95, \$2.15, \$2.35, \$2.65	
Coffee Pots, \$1.50, \$1.65, \$1.80, \$2.00 and \$2.25	
Percolators, \$3.25, \$4.75 and \$4.98	
Double Boilers, \$1.35, \$1.59, \$1.75, \$1.95, \$2.25 and \$2.75.	
Berlin Kettles, \$2.10, \$2.75 and \$3.00	
Tea Kettles, \$2.98, \$3.25, \$3.39 and \$3.59	
Lipped Sauce Pans, 42c, 60c, 75c, 85c, 98c, and \$1.10.	
Lipped Kettles, 85c, 98c, \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.40, \$1.65, \$1.80 and \$2.25.	
Omelet Pans, \$1.25	
USEFUL GIFTS	
Carpet Sweepers, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$4.00	
Bread Makers, \$2.00 and \$2.50	
Cake Makers, \$2.00	
Sod Irons, \$1.19, \$1.75 and \$2.25 Set	
Carving Sets, \$1.39, \$1.69, \$1.98, \$2.25 and \$2.98	
Clothes Humpers, \$1.75, \$2.25, \$2.98, \$3.75, \$3.98 and \$4.49.	
Fancy Waste Paper Baskets, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.98 and \$2.25.	
Hampered Brass Jardinieres, 98c	
Brass Fern Dish with everlasting fern, 98c	
Perfection Oil Heaters, \$3.75, \$3.98, \$4.98 and \$5.25.	
BATH ROOM FIXTURES	
Towel Bars, 50c, 55c, 65c, 70c, 80c, 90c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.25.	
Mirrors, \$3.98, \$4.98, \$5.98, \$6.75, \$7.50, \$7.98, \$8.98 and \$9.75.	
Combination, \$1.38, \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.25, \$3.75, \$4.00 and \$4.50.	
Shaving Combinations, 75c, \$2.00 and \$3.75	
Medicine Cabinets, \$2.25, \$2.49, \$2.98, \$3.25 and \$4.25.	
Soap Dishes, 50c, 69c, 75c, 88c, \$1.00, \$1.10, \$1.25 and \$1.50.	
Toilet Paper Boxes, \$1.38 and \$1.50	
Dental Combinations, 75c	
Crope Paper, all colors, 5c Roll	
Decorated Crope Paper, 10c Pkg.	
White Tissue Paper, 10c Dozen Sheets	
Girls' Sleds, 50c, 69c, 79c and 98c	
Boys' Sleds, 50c, 59c, 69c, 88c and 98c	
Speedway Flyers, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.98	
Flexible Flyers, \$2.49, \$2.98, \$3.75 and \$4.49	
Racer's Flyers, \$4.25	
Wagons, 89c, \$1.69 and \$2.49	
Children's Desks, \$1.00 and \$1.75	
Baby Yards, \$2.08	
Rundle's Little Mothers' Baby Tenders, \$2.08	

Merrimack Street Basement

LOCAL NEWS

Best printing; Tobin's, Assn. bldg.
Success poem, "Youth's Lessons of Life," in booklet at Prince's and Kirtledge's. Price 25 cents.

Bert Taber, director of Tabors Sixth Regiment band, was agreeably surprised yesterday forenoon when the members of the musical organization presented him a purse containing \$50 in gold. The presentation was made at the rehearsal by Charles A. Delaronde.

There was a large attendance at the 16th musical recital conducted by Edward Everett Adams at Odd Fellows temple last evening. The program consisted of advanced work, and included selections from the old masters as well as from those of modern times, and each number was fully appreciated.

The annual festival of the children of the First Street Day Nursery was held Saturday afternoon and a delightful program was carried out. Each child present received a little gift from the Christmas tree and the afternoon was one of the most enjoyable of the year for the little ones.

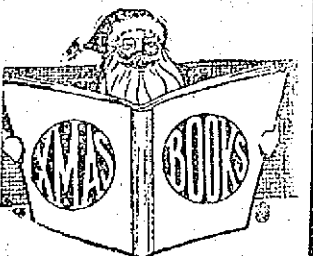
A group of members of the C. M. A. C. met at the club's quarters in Pawtucket street, yesterday afternoon and organized a bowling league, which will be known as the C. M. A. C. Duck Pin Bowling League. The officers of the league are: President, J. M. G. Fortier; vice president, Lazare Ronte; secretary and treasurer, Edmond P. Fontaine Jr. The following committee was also named to arrange a schedule of games: Albert Bergeron, Lazare Ronte, Tancrède L. Blanchette, W. A. Dragon, Isidore Trudel and A. Laviole. There will be six teams in the league, which will be known as the C. M. A. C. Duck Pin Bowling League. A meeting of the schedule committee and board of officers will be held in the near future and final arrangements for the opening of the league will be made.



This Week—Tremendous Holiday Attention

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This Afternoon, "Bon-Hon Matinee"
Tonight, Silk Photographs of Miss Marie Reels



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MRS. PANKHURST

Goes to Paris to Recuperate After Hunger and Thirst Strike

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst left London very quietly yesterday for Paris on the way to Switzerland to recuperate from the hunger and thirst strike in Holloway jail, from which she was released on Dec. 17. Her departure was not accompanied by any of the usual demonstrations.

Rumors were in circulation today that relations were strained between Miss Sylvia Pankhurst and Miss Christabel Pankhurst, the two daughters of the militant mother. In consequence of Sylvia's determination to concentrate her campaign in the East End of London and in efforts to co-operate with the members of the labor party, Christabel disapproves of this scheme and is said to be withholding money.

HOLIDAY RUSH

Washington is Crowded as on Inauguration Day

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The holiday rush of sightseers to the national capital is on. At this season Washington attracts more visitors than at any other time of the year. Thousands of persons have already begun to flock here and each incoming train is crowded. The throng at the Union station today was so large that employees felt as though inauguration day was being repeated. The visitors are made up principally of delegations of girls and young men students from various parts of the country.

Lowell Opera House

The House Beautiful

1:30 to 5—DAILY—6:30 to 10

Warner's Feature For Today

The Secret Marriage

Love—Jealousy—Trouble

5—OTHER FEATURES—5

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